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Bitter Battle Raging on Napoleon's Road to Moscow

"A BITTER battle is raging on the road to Moscow." With these words the British Broadcasting Corporation last night indicated that the Germans have made some progress in their vast new offensive, which, apparently, is aimed at crushing Soviet resistance before bitter winter conditions set in on the eastern front.

Monday night's Russian communique was terse as usual, but it mentioned especially fierce fighting in the vicinity of Viasma and Briansk. Viasma is 150 miles on the Napoleonic road from Smolensk to Moscow, while Briansk, an important railway centre, is 220 miles south-west of the capital.

The full strength of the Russian army, according to Moscow, is being thrown against the vast German hordes that Hitler is sending forward in a desperate battle against time. Indicating that the Russians are proving a hard nut to crack and are giving a really good account of themselves, is the Berlin admission of "considerably increasing losses."

In Moscow, Mr. Losovsky, the Soviet Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs and official spokesman, has described the gigantic battle now under way as just beginning. Another Moscow report states that snow is falling in the capital.

German Bombers Everywhere

German dive bombers are everywhere in the central sector and their attacks are being concentrated on the railway that runs between Moscow and the Black Sea. Russian aircraft, also, are active and railway stations in the rear of the German lines are being ceaselessly pounded in an effort to upset German communications.

A significant statement was made in Moscow yesterday by Mr. Losovsky, in dealing with the German thrust toward Moscow. "It seems that Hitler has several hundred thousand extra men he wants buried," the Soviet spokesman said. "He will achieve this."

In the South Ukraine the Germans claim to have reached Mariupol on the Sea of Azov, 100 miles west of Rostov in the rich Donetz Basin. There has been no confirmation of this Nazi claim, although it is known in London that the Germans have a large force in that area.

Nazi Advance in Crimea Held

The Russians seem to be holding the German advance toward the Crimea ano, at the other end of the front, Marshal Voroshilov is counter-attacking around Leningrad. These attacks have been launched to prevent the Germans from digging in. Quoting Reuter's special correspondent from Leningrad, the B.B.C. stated that the Russians seemed to be succeeding admirably in their defence of that city.

The Germans claim that all Russian resistance on the Baltic island of Cesel has been wiped out, but there has been no confirmation of this report. The Russians claim to have sunk a 7,000 ton enemy transport in the Baltic.

German Claims

London, Oct. 8.

A special announcement by the German High Command states: "While offensive and pursuing operations in the Ukraine are in full swing, a breach in the central sector of the eastern front commenced on Oct. 2 has led to a new vast series of battles of annihilation.

"In the Viazma area alone several Soviet armies are encircled and are proceeding irrevocably towards their destruction."

German reports claim that a whole southern wing of the Russian Army has been smashed by a drive which has isolated Ossipenko and Mariupol on the Sea of Azov.—Reuter.

Finnish Reply To British Note Unsatisfactory

London, Oct. 8.

The Finnish reply to the recent British memorandum, which was sent through Sweden, is considered distinctly unsatisfactory here. The reply makes it clear that Finland is determined to attempt to push further into Russian territory and still maintains that her war against Russia should be regarded as separate from the war in general, but this attitude is rejected by the British Government since the contribution Finland is making to the Axis cause cannot be regarded as anything but a fighting alliance with the common enemies of Great Britain and Russia.

It is thought here that although the Finnish people wish to end the war, the Finnish Government has no choice under German pressure.—Reuter.

Finland's Reply

Helsinki, Oct. 7.

Finland's reply to the British note of September 22 warning the Finnish Government that unless it ceased hostilities against Russia, England would be considered an enemy state both during the war and at the post-war peace conference, was transmitted to London today through the Swedish Minister in London.

After lengthily outlining Soviet aggressions against Finland, the reply pointed out that "important regions of Finnish territory are still in the hands of the aggressor and must be occupied in order to prevent a further offensive by the Russians."

More Territory Claimed

"Furthermore," the Finnish reply continued, "some regions beyond the former Finnish border are not Russian but rather belong to Finland since Soviet statistics themselves show that Finns represented from 93 to 99 per cent. of the population. Soviet Russia herself in 1920 granted these regions the right of self-determination."

The Finnish Government stressed that "Finland is waging her defensive war without any political undertakings, but is grateful not to have to fight alone this time".

"Finland cannot understand how Britain, with whom she desires to maintain peaceful relations, takes upon herself the right and even considers herself compelled to treat Finland as an enemy state, and that solely because Finland is no longer alone in her fight against Soviet Russia," the Finnish note stressed.—Havas Telemondial.

U.S. Said Needing Bases From Russia

Washington, Oct. 8.

Mr. Anthony J. Dimond, Alaskan Delegate to Congress, yesterday urged the United States to negotiate immediately with Soviet Russia in order to obtain military and naval rights on Pacific islands "essential to our maintenance of freedom of the seas."

He named the Bering Straits islands, Wrangel Island and others as possessing strategic command of the North Pacific and supplementing the American bases being built in Alaska. He said such bases would protect northern communications to Russia.—United Press.

R.A.F. Shoots Down Planes in Russia

London, Oct. 8.

Royal Air Force contingents fighting with the Russians on Monday shot down three Heinkel-88s which attacked an R.A.F. aerodrome, the Air Ministry announced yesterday.—United Press.

Daylight Saving Ends On November 1

By agreement between the French Municipal Administration and the Shanghai Municipal Council, it has been decided that Daylight Saving time will cease on Saturday, November 1, and that all Administration clocks will be retarded by one hour at midnight on that date.

Dr. Koo Says Democracies Will Triumph

Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Ambassador to London, speaking over the B.B.C. last night, expressed confidence in the final victory of the democratic powers.

Stating that China was the first to suffer the forces of aggression and that for four years she had been fighting alone, Dr. Koo added that now the two wars, that in the east and that in the west, were struggles for one cause, the re-establishment and safeguarding of the freedom of mankind.

Dr. Koo stressed the similarity between the Russian and Chinese wars. Both Russia and China were the victims of aggression, both were attacked by an enemy with vastly superior mechanical equipment, both had proved the heroism of the ordinary soldier in fighting against great odds and both were sacrificing their native lands by the scorched earth, policy, he said.

Both countries, were determined to win against aggression at all cost and guerrillas were playing an important role in securing the ultimate defeat of the enemy.

The Sea Fronts

Dr. Koo pointed out that while China and Russia held the land fronts, Britain and the United States held the sea fronts. Although the path to victory was not easy, he said, there was no doubt as to the final outcome.

The Chinese Ambassador also pointed out that China was fighting single-handed against aggression in Asia. Happily, he said, economic restrictions were being enforced against Japan. No people in the world had more sympathy with Russia than China.

Japanese Lose Changsha

China knew what it was to fight an invading army. Secondly, China knew what it was to lose her great cities after holding them desperately. Only last week she fought another fierce battle against Japan for Changsha, the capital of a province of 28 million people.

For the third time in the history of the Sino-Japanese war, Changsha was saved by the bravery of the Chinese soldiers, Japan lost two generals, arms and equipment and at least 50,000 men wounded and killed, Dr. Koo declared. This Chinese victory in Changsha may have far reaching effects on the entire war in the Far East.

Returning to the Soviet war-front, Dr. Koo pointed out that the more territory the enemy occupied, the greater the drain on his resource. Both China and Russia enjoyed the aid and support of the two great English-speaking democracies. Complete victory would come to the nations who were fighting for freedom, Dr. Koo concluded his broadcast.

12 Rumanian Generals Shot

Istanbul, Oct. 8.

Authoritative Rumanian sources reported yesterday that they understood that 12 Rumanian generals were shot three days ago for signing a joint memorandum protesting against further Rumanian aggression on Russian territory.

The protest, it was stated, was addressed to General Ian Antonescu, Rumanian Premier. It pointed out that now that Bukovina and Bessarabia had been recovered for the fatherland, any further war effort was only fighting Germany's war.

Summarily Shot

These sources said that among those recalled from duty on the Odessa front and summarily shot were Generals Lrasavici, Costescu and Avuan.

The protest, it was stated, also stressed that Russian guerilla attacks on the rear of Rumanian forces facing Odessa were taking the heaviest tolls.

Since the Rumanians were bearing the brunt of the frontal attack, growing discontent and resentment was manifest making it desirable to obtain an early withdrawal of Rumanian forces, said the protest according to these reports.—United Press.

Five Executed in Prague

Berlin, Oct. 8.

The Reich Protector's Press Department in Prague yesterday informed the United Press by telephone that it had been officially announced that only five executions were carried out Monday by German authorities in reprisals for sabotage and actions inimical to the Reich.

Other German reports from Prague said that six more Czechs had been executed while 15 were being held for investigation by the Gestapo. Five Czechs were hung at Prague and Brun while one other was shot.

All of those executed were charged officially with "preparation of high treason and industrial sabotage or deliberate, illegal possession of weapons."—United Press.

Prague Gets New Jewish Decrees

Berlin, Oct. 8.

Reports from Prague today said the "Der Neutag" had published new and severe anti-Jewish measures ordered by German authorities there. All synagogues in the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia were ordered closed, it was said.—United Press.

A Defender of Moscow

This is a Russian anti-aircraft gun during a rest, after having brought down three Nazi planes which were attempting to reach Moscow. The photograph was radioed from the Russian capital to the United States and reached Shanghai by air mail.

Negotiations For Exchange Of Prisoners Proceeding

Berlin, Oct. 8.

AUTHORIZED German sources stated yesterday that negotiations with Great Britain for the exchange of severely wounded prisoners of war were continuing through diplomatic channels despite the London radio's announcement that the hospital ships will not sail for French channel ports.

"Until we have been informed by the United States Embassy in Berlin that the negotiations have been broken off we consider them to be continuing," it was stated. "We regard the London radio announcement as sheer propaganda."

(The British War Secretary, Captain Henry Margesson confirmed to the House of Commons that the wounded Germans were being disembarked.)

"Head for Head"

Authorized sources stated that Germany was prepared to continue negotiations on the basis of "a head for a head" exchange in batches of 100 or so prisoners, as well as for female and children internees, lasting over a period of two weeks.

They charged that British authorities wrecked the negotiations first by desiring that the whole exchange take place simultaneously and, secondly, by carrying on negotiations through open radio channels "thus making it a propagandistic affair."

Authorized sources said the negotiations were first started by German initiative through the United States Embassy in Berlin which is the protector of British interests here.

Alleged Nazi Offer

These sources stated that subsequent stages of the negotiations showed that while the Germans were planning to send about 1,500 severely wounded Britons home, London offered only 50 German wounded soldiers in return. They said the Germans also then offered to permit the British to fill places in the returning hospital ships with civilian German women and children interned in England.

[United Press.

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War Secretary's Statement On Exchange

London, Oct. 8.

Declaring that the British Government was not prepared to risk being made the victim of a flagrant branch of faith on the part of the German Government, the Secretary of State for War, Captain David Margesson, made a detailed statement on the proposed exchange of prisoners of war in the House of Commons yesterday.

Refuting recent reports, he asserted that there had been no suggestion from Germany that Rudolf Hess should be exchanged.

Captain Margesson stated: "The conditions governing repatriation of sick and wounded prisoners of war are clearly stated in Article 68 of the international convention relative to treatment of prisoners of war which the present German Government have recognized as binding upon them.

"Article 68 states the belligerents shall be required to send back to their own country without regard to rank or number, afer rendering them in fit condition for transport, prisoners of war seriously ill or seriously wounded.

"I would ask members to note carefully the words 'without regard to rank or number.'

Unable to Reach Agreement

"Proposals for repatriation have been under discussions through the protecting Power for many months. But the two Governments were unable to reach an agreement on the question of route and method of transportation. However, on September 1, a proposal was received from the German Government through the Swiss Legation suggesting that sick and wounded should be repatriated in a British hospital ship through Channel ports. This suggestion had been put forward several months before by His Majesty's Government but been rejected by the German Government. His Majesty's Government accepted this proposal which referred only to sick and severely wounded prisoners of war and did not include protected personnel entitled to be repatriated.

"On September 9, a message was received from the German Govern-

[Reuter.

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Curtin's Message To Churchill

Canberra, Oct. 8.

Mr. John Curtin, the new Australian Prime Minister, announced in the House of Representatives today that he has cabled to Mr. Winston Churchill promising him full co-operation in the war effort.

Mr. A. W. Fadden has been elected leader of the opposition, and Mr. W. M. Hughes leader of the United Australian Party.—Reuter.

R.A.F. Carries Out wift Blitz On Convoy; Tripoli Battered Again

Malta, Oct. 8.

Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm carried out another swift blitz on an enemy convoy in the early hours of Sunday, leaving two ships sinking and at least one other damaged. The convoy, according to an official announcement, consisted of four merchant vessels of between eight and ten thousand tons, and two merchantmen of between four and six thousand tons, with an escort of five destroyers.

The convoy was sighted steaming southwards from the Ionian Sea, the ships being in two columns of three, with the destroyers around them.

The attack was unexpected and devastating.

The first two aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm formation swept in and picked off the rear vessels in the port and starboard columns and were out of effective range before the convoy's guns could open fire. They left the largest ship in the convoy listing heavily to port and belching black smoke. Another 6,000 ton vessel was left with its stern under water, listing heavily, and with the crew abandoning ship and pulling towards one of the destroyers.

Panic and activity broke out among the escorting vessels, which opened fire and started to lay a belated smoke screen which was dispersed by the strong wind. The remainder of the formation then attacked the stricken convoy, and the leader of the squadron straddled one of the largest vessels with a stick of bombs, probably damaging its bows.

Another pilot attacked the middle ship of the starboard column, which swung to starboard and stopped.—Reuter.

London, Oct. 8.

Before midnight on October 5, a heavy bomber squadron of the Royal Air Force set course on the waters of Tripoli harbour, states the Air Ministry news service.

The first raider over this much battered target made a 4,000-feet dive on a tanker off the Spanish Quay and set a stick of bombs crashing into her. A blaze of orange flame accompanied by masses of black smoke shot upwards, lighting up the rest of shipping in the harbour and outshining the bright moonlight that lit up the town. From miles out at sea the raiders following on saw the bonfire and dropped their cargoes of high-explosives on other ships in the harbour and on lighters and barges lying around then. Soon oil gushing from the tanker spread a blanket of flames over the water and a heavy pall of smoke drifted miles out to sea.

The second pilot of the leading aircraft describing the scene, said: "When we came into attack, I could see the tanker plainly and other ships lying beyond it in the diretion of our run. When we dropped our bombs and turned away, there were such terrific shouts from the gunners and observers that I thought anti-aircraft fire had got us; but they were just whooping at the sight of bombs crashing into the tanker. Flames shot up immediately. I could see the dark shape of the funnel sticking out of the sheet of fire. I see bombs burst all right and if some did not hit they were at least somewhere very near."

When they left the target after two hours, the crews of the returning aircraft could see fires shining through the haze miles away. Such ships of Italy's convoys as succeed in crossing the Straits of Sicily cannot count on a safe haven in Africa.—Reuter.

British Air Experts Declare Nazis Suffer Heavy Losses

SPECIAL TO THE N.C.D.N.

London, Oct. 6.

AIR experts and commentators of the British press on October 5, examine and amplify Churchill's statement on Germany's shortages in the air:

The "Observer's" air correspondent after pointing out that in Russia the Luftwaffe is up against the strongest numerical opposition it has ever encountered, gives reasons for crediting Russian estimates of German losses.

"First, the German air force was on the offensive when casualties must always be high; second it is fighting against what is now demonstrated to be one of the largest air forces in the world; third it is being subjected to aerodrome attacks on a scale which it has not previously experienced; fourth it is meeting highly developed night defences. For all these reasons it is possible to accept the high claims of the Soviet authorities for air victories against the enemy's as conforming to probabilities. It is of course obvious that only an approximation can be attempted on a front of such great length and with air fighting so scattered. But the Soviet approximation does seem to give a fair picture."

Heavy Price Paid

The "Sunday Times" Air Correspondent writes, "The price Germany is paying in air power for any successes she has won on the Eastern front far exceeds the loss of some thousands of aeroplanes and crews. What matters still more is the dislocation of her plans for building new types of aeroplanes and getting them in effective numbers into squadrons. Even more important is the resultant freedom to Great Britain to get on with production. With four out of five of the air fleets of the Luftwaffe tied down against Russia, with casualties in first line operational types of aeroplanes soaring above the three thousand mark, and with maintenance problems becoming acute, the enemy is finding for the first time he has not enough aeroplanes and air crews to go round.

"The Luftwaffe's responsibilities are enormous. There are five air fleets and three air corps. All are extended and spread thinly through a vast area of operations. The Luftwaffe is disposed in general as follows: Air fleets under Keller before Leningrad—fully occupied. Air fleet No. 2 (Kesselring) behind Smolensk—mangled and shaken. Air fleet No. 3 (Sperrie), in western Europe—facing assaults of the R.A.F. with apparently only one bomber wing left it. Air fleet No. 4 (Loehr) in the Ukraine pushing forward. Air fleet No. 5 (Stumpff) in Finland and North Norway calling urgently for reinforcements to attack Murmansk. The much boosted Richthofen corps with its clouds of Stukas and "crack" fighter squadrons has been flung against Leningrad to fill the gaps in Keller's fleet.

No Reserves As Yet

"The African Corps under Buelow in Libya, eked out by Italian machines, is feeling the effects of unrelieved tropical operations. The German Rumanian corps under Speidel, normally held in reserve, is busy policing the Balkans."

(That it is needed is suggested by the latest reports from Ankara on October 5, which describe German dive bombing raids on the Serbian villages of Kusanj, Koznica, Chakchak, Uzice held by guerillas).

"There are no reserves to begin new offensives to bomb Britain or attack Libya—yet.

"All reserves are needed to maintain existing air fleets and are tap-

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"Neutrality Act Does Not Apply Today"—President Roosevelt

A DECISION on the Neutrality Act—whether or not it is to be scrapped or merely modified—was probably reached in Washington yesterday, according to the British Broadcasting Corporation last night. The B.B.C. announced that President Roosevelt continued his conferences with United States leaders yesterday at 10 a.m. and that he told reporters that the conference would probably decide the fate of the Act.

The President refused to comment on the meeting on Monday with Mr. Cordell Hull and other leaders but he significantly stated: "While the Neutrality Act may have applied two years ago, or even six months ago, it does not apply today.

Washington Oct. 8.

President Roosevelt yesterday indicated to a bi-partisan meeting of Congressional leaders that he desired the repeal of two sections of the present Neutrality Act which forbids arming of United States merchant vessels and prevents them from entering the belligerent zone, reliable circles claimed.

Mr. Roosevelt called a recess in the conversations until today with the understanding that a definite programme will be approved by that time.

Senator Alben W. Barkley, Democrat of Kentucky and Senate Majority Leader, said that undoubtedly President Roosevelt would send a brief message to Congress as soon as a preliminary understanding is reached.

Meeting at White House

The President and Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, met the hand-picked group of Congressional leaders at the White House to determine what changes to ask Congress to make in the Neutrality Act.

Impetus was given to demands to allow United States ships to go to belligerent ports by the action of the Panamanian Cabinet prohibiting the arming of merchantmen flying the Panamanian flag.

Numerous possibilities were seen on how the Administration programme may develop, and the following is the order, according to probabilities, in which action may be taken:

1. A bill to permit arming of merchantmen, to be followed later by another dealing with combat zones in which United States ships are now prohibited from operating;
2. A combination of these two;
3. Outright repeal of the Neutrality Act;
4. Executive action withdrawing the proclamation whereby President Roosevelt recognized that a state of war exists between Germany and Great Britain, thus permitting United States ships to enter belligerent ports.

Congressional leaders, it was believed, told the President that his proposal to permit arming of merchantmen would pass both houses. Some believed that outright repeal of the Neutrality Act would pass the Senate but it was doubtful whether the House would approve.—United Press.

Roosevelt Favours Revision

Washington, Oct. 7.

At a momentous conference held at the White House today, President

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Roosevelt, Halifax Outline "Peace Aims"

New York, Oct. 8.

Diplomatic and business leaders, including President Roosevelt and Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, last night outlined for the 28th National Foreign Trade convention here "peace aims" which, they said, business must adopt if lasting prosperity and peace are to follow the present war.

President Roosevelt's message was read by Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State.

"We must make sure that no effort be spared to place international commerce on a basis of fair dealing, equality treatment and mutual benefit," President Roosevelt said in his message.

"In no other way can it serve the function of promotion rather than retarding peaceful relations among nations and the economic well-being of all."

Danger Warning

Mr. Winthrop Aldrich, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chase National Bank of New York, warned those attending the convention that "if the seas should be controlled by any hostile Power and our trade be excluded from them" United States commerce would be limited to that which we could carry on with Canada to north and Mexico in the south."

He warned that there would be danger to "freedom and private enterprise" even in a "Democracy should Germany win."

Mr. Welles warned that after the war "there exists the danger that nations of the world will once more be tempted to resort to the same misguided policies which have led to such disastrous consequences" as those of the last war.

Lord Halifax read a message from Mr. Winston Churchill expressing his deepest gratitude for the aid given Britain by American manufacturers and the business community.—United Press.

Britain "Can Hand Ships Back to U.S."

The decreasing menace of German attacks in the Atlantic has been commented on by Mr. Harold Ickes, American defence petrol coordinator. Quoted by the B.B.C. last night, Mr. Ickes stated that the danger had so greatly decreased that Britain could make ships available to the United States.

He said that the dozen tankers, which America handed over to Britain, might be temporarily handed back in order to solve the acute petrol shortage in some American states.

British and American Forces in Iceland Watchful of Invasion

Reykjavik, Oct. 8.

British and United States defenders in Iceland are constantly preparing against a possible German air and sea invasion it was learned yesterday.

The strength and disposition of forces here are secret but it can be revealed that the two commands are trying to apply the lessons learned in Crete. Patrolling warplanes fly over the area throughout the day.

Officers realize that the mere presence of troops, sailors and marines does not guarantee safety of the island. They intend to hold Iceland at all costs since if the island was lost it was believed the Battle of the Atlantic would virtually be lost since Germany would gain a submarine and air base from which to attack North Atlantic convoys.—United Press.

Marshall Urges All-Out Aid To Russia

Washington, Oct. 8.

General George Marshall, Chief of Staff, today urged the utmost aid to Russia when he testified before the House Appropriation sub-committee regarding the supplemental lend-lease bill of US$5,985,000.

Gen. Marshall also told the sub-committee that although no specific provisions were made in the original lend-lease bill to aid Russia, "all must realize that whatever we do to keep the Russian Army in the field aggressively resisting the Germans will be to our great advantage. It would increase the chances of a successful end to the war and would hasten its early conclusion."

His testimony was contained in printed hearings on the bill and was released for publication for the first time today.

Gen. Marshall opposed any suggestion to reduce the size of the United States Army.

Growing Power of U.S.

"German leaders should always have before them the constantly growing power of America to thwart their plan of world conquest," he said.

He said that the U.S. Army still was relatively small, comprising only 35 divisions, excluding the selectees, coast defences, air forces and overseas garrisons.

He expressed satisfaction, however, with the United States rearmament programme.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Claude Wickard, testified that the United States proposes during 1942 to send food to approximately 10,000,000 persons in England, for which US$1,000,000,000 will be allocated.

He said that the quantity of food the United States will furnish until December 1942 would be the equivalent to food for one-quarter of the British population.

He added that some of the food would go to British civilians and some to the British Army, including British forces in the Near East.

He estimated that between 90 and 95 per cent. of all shipments would be delivered despite sinking in the Atlantic.—United Press.

Inside Story of Mrs. Clarke's Kidnapping In Peiping Told

SPECIAL TO THE N.C.D.N.

Peiping, Sept. 30.

THE kidnapping by Japanese of Mrs. D. H. Clarke, the wife of the Press Attaché, caused a considerable sensation in the foreign community here. One had imagined that women, at least, were exempt from these kinds of "pinpricks." And it was with corresponding relief, not unmixed with a tinge of surprise, that one heard a week later that she had been brought back safe and sound. From what was given out officially in various statements, it would appear to have been a very simple affair, but the somewhat overdone simplicity of the explanations would appear to show that it was by no means quite so "harmless" as it was made out to be.

The first sign of trouble was an article published in the "Toa Shimpo," a local Japanese newspaper, on September 12 in which Mr. Clarke was accused of being a "British spy" and of using his wife—a Japanese by birth—for his nefarious work, and more of such libelous stuff. It would be interesting, by the way, to know exactly what important secrets the Japanese think could be "spied out" in Peiping, which is completely dead these days, both from a political and a military point of view. The "Toa Shimpo," I am given to understand is not considered a newspaper of the highest standing even in Japanese eyes, nor judging from some of its articles on world affairs could it be called a fountain of truth. Nevertheless, the paper apparently forms the chief mental pabulum of the Japanese community in Peiping. And the article in question, we are given to understand, excited the high moral indignation of certain superpatriots, with the ensuing curious results.

Details Given

On Saturday, September 20, Mrs. Clarke left her home in the British Embassy compound on her bicycle about 10 a.m. and called on a friend who lived in a lane north of the Peking Hotel, not ten minutes from the Embassy. When Mrs. Clarke failed to turn up for lunch or in the course of the afternoon, enquiries were at once set on foot which showed that she had left the friend's house at 11.30 a.m. and had not been seen by anyone since. A clue of sorts, however, if not of a very satisfactory sort, turned up later, when certain Chinese in the lane said they had seen a foreign-dressed lady being dragged to a motor-car by some men who appeared to be Japanese. The clue was not very satisfactory, because later the informants could either not be found, or refracted what they had said. The Japanese authorities were notified of the disappearance and urged to take steps to find Mrs. Clarke.

For the rest of the week, nothing much happened except for occasional solemn reiterations by the Japanese authorities that the Japanese military gendarmerie, the Japanese Consular police and the Chinese police were doing their very utmost to trace the whereabouts of the missing lady. However, at the end of a week, on Saturday, September 27, the Japanese Embassy issued the following short notice:—

"The Japanese authorities have informed Mr. D. H. Clarke that the Japanese gendarmerie have located Mrs. Clarke. She is believed to be in the hands of Japanese extremists who became incensed after reading the scur-

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Huge Defence Exercises Being Carried Out In India

BY REUTERS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT WITH THE NORTHERN INDIA COMMAND

Bombay, Oct. 8.

COLUMNS of armoured vehicles engaged in air defence e ercises, followed by heavy guns, passed me roaring their w northward as I went on a visit yesterday to the secret hea quarters from where the northern India Observer Corps operating.

Formed only 18 months ago, this corps has now establishe tentacles spreading far and wide throughout all the areas con sidered vulnerable to air attacks. Day and night thousands eyes all over India soar the sky, while keen ears listen for th drone of bombers keeping in constant practice should a suprem emergency occur.

In the headquarters of the O server Corps for this area I fou a large table with a map of t surrounding districts so arrang that the path of approaching aircra reported by observation posts wi direct telephonic connections cou be plotted with complete accuracy.

Two mock air raids were takin place as I arrived. With quiet ef ciency, young Indians received th telephone reports and marked th positions of the raiders on the mat while at the desk above them other reported to the Fighter Command A.R.P. authorities and anti-parachut ist detachments.

Nine Simultaneous Raids

I was told yesterday that these keen youngsters have dealt success fully with no less than nine simult aneous raids.

Yesterday's mock raids took a rea istic turn when sirens sounded an warplanes, whose path I had watche being plotted, appeared overhead Detonations in the vicinity indicate that they had succeeded in dropping a few bombs, but a few minutes later one of the outlying observers reported that at least two raiders had been shot down in his area, and the appropriate indication was triumphantly placed on the map.

These young Indians, many of whom had evidently, barely left school, did their jobs with superb efficiency, which could have only been attained by their own keeness, coupled with skilful training. One expert with close knowledge of the British system told me that in his opinion the Indian Observer Corps ranks with the best.

Attack on Khyber Pass Post

Later in the day a short sharp attack was made by enemy dive-bombers on a post in the Khyber Pass, but this was repulsed without serious damage or any casualties.

Soon after dark some bombs fell unexpectedly in the Noshera area, evidently dropped by aircraft operating at a very great height in the sub-stratosphere. Umpires of the directing staff ruled that these bombs would have caused a certain amount of damage to the main road and in the vicinity of the railway. Arrangements were made to effect the necessary repairs.

Further developments in this instructive exercise are awaited with great interest.—Reuter.

Body Of French Secretary Found In Seine

Paris, Oct. 7.

The body of Mme. Tonia Masse, Secretary of the Anti-Bolshevik League, was found in the Seine River at Bougival, near Paris today.

Mme. Masse was seen for the last time at about 8.00 p.m. on September 23 coming out of a bar in the Avenue de l'Opéra. She failed to return home and nothing was heard or seen from her until today's gruesome discovery.

It is believed that she must have been drawn into a trap.

Active Anti-Bolshevik

The paper "Paris-Soir" stated today that she was not only an active anti-Bolshevik but also Director of the Association for the Relief of French families, the headquarters of which was situated in the offices of the Anti-Bolshevik Action Committee, in the Avenue de l'Opera.

A sluice-keeper at the Bougival dam discovered her body floating in the Seine. The body had been placed in a sack and thrown into the river. The physician who examined the corpse found traces of several blows on the skull.

The police were able to identify the body with no difficulty.—Havas Telemondial.

Sentences for Communists

Vichy Oct. 7.

Two persons charged with having engaged in communist activities were sentenced by the Special Paris Court for the Suppression of Communist Activities to 1 and 3 years imprisonment respectively. One person was acquitted.

In Nancy three communist railwaymen of Longuyon were sentenced to 5 years hard labour each. The railwaymen were tried by the Special Court.

In Marseilles the Special Court Martial of the 15th district sentenced five communists to serve terms ranging from 2 years imprisonment to hard labour for life.—Havas Telemondial.

Russian Girl Found Poisoned In Cathay Hotel

Miss Luba Boico, 27-year old Russian girl was discovered in an unconscious state suffering from veronal poisoning in Room 627, Cathay Hotel, shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Taken to the Country Hospital, her condition was pronounced not to be serious and hopes of an early recovery were entertained by doctors.

Miss Boico had taken the room in the Cathay Hotel at 3 a.m. yesterday. She was discovered in an unconscious state by a room-boy in the afternoon. Two letters, one addressed to the Shanghai Municipal Police and the other to a friend, were discovered lying next to 140 grams of veronal on a night table by the bed.

The letters, both written in Russian, stated that she was intending to commit suicide and that she had left all her property to her friend, a young lady residing in the French Concession. According to the S.M.P., Miss Boico had been in a morbid state of mind for the past few days, information which was obtained from her friend.

Miss Boico, it was learned, resided at House 2, Lane 600 Avenue Haig. She had taken a room in the Cathay Hotel early yesterday morning. It was learned that veronal did not easily cause death if attendance was given immediately.

America Halts All Oil Shipments To Japan

London, Oct. 8.

Diplomatic messages received here yesterday from Washington stated that the United States has now halted even the trickle of petroleum which continued to reach Japan following the American freezing regulations and imposition of subsequent embargoes.

Reliable quarters simultaneously declared that the withholding of Dutch and British oil from Japan has been complete.

Qualified observers believe that Japan is unavoidably moving towards an early choice between changes in the present Government whereby Japan would either adopt a more moderate foreign policy or resume its expansionist policy.

It was believed that Japan's export trade has been paralyzed by the unofficial blockade imposed by Britain, the United States and the Netherlands East Indies, while even commerce with Latin-American states was said to be virtually at a standstill.—United Press.

Emperor of Abyssinia To Raise New Army

London, Oct. 8.

The Emperor of Abyssinia intends to raise and maintain an Ethiopian Army under his own command. This decision and the British Government's agreement with it was announced by the War Secretary, Capt. Margesson, in the House of Commons at question time yesterday.

The exact size and type of the units which will compose the army have not been finally decided upon. A British military mission will assist the Emperor in organization and training of the force.

There is no foundation for the report that the Duke of Aosta, captured Commander-in-Chief of the Italian forces in East Africa, had been granted leave to visit Italy, Capt. Margesson stated in a written reply to another question.—Reuter.

No Statement on Ichang "Entry"

Chungking, Oct. 8.

Reports current last evening that Chinese troops had broken into Ichang and started fighting within the city, though officially unconfirmable, have aroused a high degree of expectancy among local Chinese circles. Observers here believe the entry quite possible, but they emphasize that it is an entirely different matter whether it would lead to strategic results.

Since September 27, when the battle of Changsha was at its height, the Chinese are known to have made a series of attacks not only in the Ichang sector but also in the Sinyang and Suihsien areas.—Reuter.

Vast Manoeuvres In Britain End in "Invader's" Defeat

BY REUTERS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

London, Oct. 8.

Hundreds of thousands of British and Canadian troops and tanks have just completed a gruelling week in the field during which the defending Red army repelled an almost equally powerful invading Blue army back towards the North Sea, in exercises extending over more than half England.

The dual purpose of the manoeuvres, as explained by General Sir Alan Brooke, Commander-in-Chief of British Home Forces, was "practising against invasion....at the same time exercising commanders in the form of advance which might be required, not at the present moment, but at a later date."

This is the largest field exercise since France. It found the two armies at grips, with as many men and possibly more arms than in the recent record size manœuvres of the United States Army. Air support was on a more ambitious scale than hitherto attempted.—Reuter.

Anti-Religious Paper Ceases Publication

Moscow, Oct. 8.

Another organ of the Society of the Militant Godless, the "Anti-Religioznik" a bi-monthly magazine, ceased publication yesterday.

The "Bezbozhnitt," a weekly publication, was suspended earlier.

The official explanation given by M. S. A. Lozovsky, Vice-Commissar of Foreign Affairs and official Government spokesman, was that owing to war conditions, which brought about a shortage of paper, it was found necessary to suspend the papers.—United Press.

Tropical Storm Hits Florida Coast

Tallahassee, Fla., Oct. 8.

The tropical storm which had turned north in the Gulf of Mexico after crossing the lower part of Florida yesterday struck the West Florida coast at Carrabille shortly after 4 a.m., disrupting communications in the entire area.

The wind reached a velocity of 80 miles an hour in this area and it was understood that dangerous winds can be expected along the entire coast.—United Press.

War Secretary's Statement On Exchange

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[illegible] are being disembarked and sent back to their hospitals and camps.

Not Willing to Take Risk

"While His Majesty's Government was most reluctant to forego any chance of bringing back to their homes sick and severely wounded prisoners of war, they were not prepared, in view of the negotiations in the last few days, to risk being made the victims of a flagrant breach of faith on the part of the German Government (cheers), more especially as the bulk of British sick and, wounded would thereby lose all chance of being repatriated."

In reply to a question whether there had been any suggestion from the German Government that Hess should be exchanged, Capt. Margesson replied: "No, Sir."—Reuter.

★ Negotiations for Exchange of Prisoners

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"That was the situation Monday morning," said the sources. "During the afternoon the ether suddenly began to hum with radio messages from London: 'Hello, Germany, do you hear us?' etc., although the radio was only intended to be used for clarification of small technical points in procedure.

"This continued until 8 p.m. when the British radioed an ultimatum stating they had received no reply from Germany and adding that: 'We need confirmation by 10 p.m. in order that the ship can leave.'"

Objective Picture

"At 10 p.m., the German radio broadcast giving a completely objective picture of the negotiations and adding:

"The German Government has stated it is willing to hand over the same number of severely wounded British prisoners if 100 members of the German armed forces at present in Newhaven sail. The exchange should take place on October 7. Negotiations for a further exchange of civilians will continue via diplomatic channels.'

"The British radio then suddenly replied that under these circumstances the ship will not sail and no exchange will take place," the sources added.—United Press.

Canada Asked For Tanks For Russia

Ottawa, Oct. 8.

The Canadian Government received a request from Britain "only a few days ago" to arrange her tank production with a view to sending Russia 100 tanks before the end of the year, said Mr. C. D. Howe, Canada's Minister of Munitions yesterday, adding: "we are doing what we can to speed up production to meet this request."—Reuter.

★ Nazis Suffer Heavy Losses

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ped constantly now. The problem which the German High Command must solve at once is, shall everything be staked on smashing Russia at the risk of complete exhaustion? Or shall pressure on Russia be diminished so that the Luftwaffe can be given a breathing space in which (a) to try again to disorganize the smooth flowing development of the air power of Great Britain, backed by the great resources of the U.S.A.; (b) to enable Germany to concentrate on keeping pace technically and operationally with the Royal Air Force which is obviously going to constitute the greatest challenge in the future; and (c) to attempt to uplift the German moral by a resounding victory this winter in the Middle East?

"The first two points stand high in importance. During the past six months the strategic positions of British and German air craft industries have been reversed. For six months Great Britain has had a respite from bombing and production and development have gone ahead, while Germany has been suffering from intensified bombing.

"Thus there is a double drain on German air power—through direct losses and through reduced production. In contrast to this Great Britain has the double advantage of relatively small losses and undisturbed production aided by contributions from America. The Luftwaffe threw probably some eight thousand operational aeroplanes against Russia between Finland and Rumania, if the units were up to strength—which is unlikely. Of these no more than three thousands would be likely to be in action in any one day.

3,000 Planes Lost

"Confirmed losses of first line operational types alone in action and accidents during one hundred days are at least three thousand aeroplanes and 5,500 men. Without allowing for supporting craft, that represents one per cent. of the active operational force each day. The campaign has raged for so much longer than the enemy calculated that nearly forty per cent. of the original total operational force have been destroyed. The Germans are having to rely on reinforcements to maintain pressure. New personnel have had little opportunity for training with squadrons and are having their first taste of active warfare, not on an easy front, but on one of the most bitter campaigns ever fought.

"Accident rates have increased and the fighting quality has gone down. The German High Command cannot reasonably contemplate the present scale of losses for many more weeks and still hope to retain any degree of air supremacy in the war at large. The Battle of Britain was called off when two thousand one hundred aeroplanes had been lost. The Russian campaign means that in the air Germany is slipping back in quantity and quality and now has insufficient air forces to maintain superiority on all fronts at once."

"Scrutator" in the "Sunday Times" points out that Germany's air shortages are mainly due not to losses in the West but losses in Russia—losses in connection with a military enterprise, and its incidence will therefore have been specially heavy on those sections of the Luftwaffe which are trained and organized for army co-operation.

★ Roosevelt on Neutrality Act

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Roosevelt told Congressional leaders that he favoured a revision of the Neutrality Act with a view to arming merchant vessels and enabling them to sail in the war zone and enter belligerent ports.

No decision, however, was reached at the conference regarding the repeal or revision of the Neutrality Act.

Today's conference, which lasted for two hours and forty minutes, will be resumed at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The fact that the meeting lasted over two hours and that no decision was reached shows that the Administration's plans for the repeal or revision of the Neutrality Act must have met with stiff opposition from the Senate Minority leaders.

General Opinion

This seems to confirm the view that President Roosevelt is not merely requesting the removal of the clause preventing the arming of merchant ships. General opinion believes that the abrogation of this clause would meet with no difficulty, and it is therefore probable that the President also asked either for the right to send American merchant ships to belligerent ports or for a total repeal of the Neutrality Act.

Another fact stressing the importance of the President's probable demands is the announcement made today by Senator Alben Barkley, Senate Majority Leader, that President Roosevelt will doubtless send a message to Congress containing his recommendations on the Neutrality Act.

It is pointed out here that President Roosevelt sends messages to Congress only on extremely important matters.—Havas Telemondial.

Prince Mikasa to Wed On October 22

Tokyo, Oct. 8.

It was officially announced that the wedding ceremony of Prince Takahito Mikasa, younger brother of His Majesty, and Miss Yuriko Takagi, daughter of Viscount Masanari Takagi, will be solemnized on October 22 at the Imperial Sanctuary at the Imperial Palace.—Domei.

Goodrich Plants Shut Down by Strike

Akron, Oct. 8.

A 24-hour protest strike called by the Congress of Industrial Organization yesterday shut down five plants of the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company. It was estimated 14,000 workers were idle.—United Press.

★Inside Story of Mrs. Clarke

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rilous article which appeared recently in the "Toa Shimpo" and kidnapped her. She is believed to be well and arrangements for her release are now being made by the Japanese gendarmerie."

And, actually, on the following day about noon Mrs. Clarke was duly handed over safe and sound to her husband at the Japanese Embassy.

Mrs. Clarke's Account

On the day following her return Mrs. Clarke put out the following somewhat terse and tame account of her experiences:—

"I left Miss Agnes Black's house in Ta Tien Shui Ching at about 11.30 a.m. on September 20 on my bicycle and had gone about 50 yards when I was stopped by three Japanese in plain clothes. They forced me into a car which was apparently following behind me and I was made to lie on the floor. My bicycle was put in the car which then drove off. After 30 or 40 minutes the car stopped and on being taken out I noticed that we were inside a big gate and that the surroundings were very peaceful.

"My kidnappers took me inside a building where there were two or three Japanese. The latter started asking me questions and made reference to the article about me which had appeared in the "Toa Shimpo" recently and which had apparently angered them and made them ill-disposed towards me. They apparently thought I was still a Japanese subject, and it was clear they belonged to the extremist elements.

During the next few days I was kept a prisoner here, and a Japanese woman, who was a nurse by profession, was sent in to look after me and she shared my room. I was well treated and had plenty of food. To pass the time I was given a number of books to read. Throughout my captivity the door of my room was locked and two men were stationed outside it.

"On the evening of September 27 two men appeared whom I judged to be Japanese gendarmerie officials and I was given an opportunity of telling them all that had happened to me during the past week. On hearing this they promised to secure my release and on the following day I was escorted by them to the Japanese Gendarmerie headquarters and thence to the Japanese Embassy."

Japanese Statement

On the same evening the foreign correspondents were called to a special conference at the Japanese Embassy, when the following even less enlightening statement was read out:—

"Since the disappearance of Mrs. Clarke on September 20 the Japanese gendarmerie have been doing all in their power to trace the whereabouts of Mrs. Clarke. On the evening of September 26 the Japanese gendarmerie discovered that she was being kept in custody at a certain place in Peiping by Japanese extremist elements, and after careful arrangements had been made for her safe release they succeeded in securing her release quite safely from the culprits. She was subsequently handed over to the members of the British Embassy at the Japanese Embassy on the afternoon of the 28th at 1.15 p.m. The culprits are now under examination by competent Japanese authorities. It is understood that their conduct against Mrs. Clarke was motivated by anger apparently caused by the article about her in "Toa Shimpo" of September 12."

Beautifully simple, is it not?—Suspect woman; mistaken but high-minded patriots, skilful and diplomatic gendarmerie, and a happy ending. Yes, but—if you look more carefully into the story, you will find all sorts of strange discrepancies.

As for instance, when the Japanese Embassy spokesman was asked whether the expression "in Peiping meant actually inside Peiping, he actually inside the Peiping, he smiled and refused to reply. Again, when asked, what was exactly meant by the term "extremist elements" and who they were, he refused to reply. The spokesman, however, indignantly repudiated the suggestion that perhaps kidnapping was not a crime in Japan. Well, then, if these kidnappers were just ordinary criminals, why this tenderness for their susceptibilities and the concealment of their identity and the place where they kept the prisoner, seeing that the victim had already been released?

Clue to Affair

Another strange thing in the case is the following. Where I to visit the Soviet Embassy (there is no one there at present, I hasten to say) the Japanese gendarmerie would have that down in their black book within ten minutes; were a Japanese national to attend some pro-Ally affair at the British Embassy—they do not—the Japanese gendarmerie would have him noted down in five minutes; and were a Chinese householder to try and instal a short-wave radio set, he would have been arrested by the Japanese gendarmerie before he had even tuned in. Yet we are asked to believe that, despite the combined efforts of the all-powerful and all-knowing Japanese gendarmerie, Japanese Consular Police and, last but not least, the Chinese police, it took a whole week before they were able to track down and discover the whereabouts in Peiping of a party of Japanese who kidnapped a well-known person in broad daylight in a residential quarter of the city! As the French say (or do not say): "Je ne pense pas!"

The clue to the whole affair, to my mind, is given in the remark in Mrs. Clarke's statement: "They apparently thought I was still a Japanese national (instead of British), and if she had not been connected with the Embassy, I believe she would still be in durance vile, if nothing worse. That impression is reinforced by the reply of the Japanese Embassy spokesman who when asked as to Mrs. Clarke's nationality, replied, "She is British, of course, the wife of Mr. D. H. Clarke of the British Embassy. That is why the matter has become a diplomatic issue."

Finally, a suitable postscript to the affair would seem to be provided by a notice in the "Toa Shimpo" of September 30, stating that with regard to the article about Mr. and Mrs. Clarke published in its issue of September 12, "Its contents are contrary to facts, it is herewith retracted, and regret is expressed that trouble has thereby been caused to Mr. and Mrs. Clarke."

I should perhaps add—I ought to have stated earlier—that all Japanese and Chinese papers in Peiping are under the strict censorship of the Japanese army authorities.

More White Russians Called Up

Tientsin, Oct. 8.

A further batch of White Russian youths—the fourth in the past two weeks—have been summoned to the White House, headquarters of the local Russian Anti-Communist Committee, for medical examination preliminary to mobilization for military training.

Hitherto 213 White Russians have been examined and registered for calling up at a future date.—Reuter.

Precautions to Be Taken Tomorrow On Double Tenth

Strict precautionary measures will be taken by the various police forces in Shanghai tomorrow on the ocassion of the Double Tenth which will mark the 31st anniversary of the Republic of China. Stringent measures to prevent any outbreak of terrorist activities will be enforced.

As in previous Chinese national celebrations, all important street intersections will be closely watched. Close searches will be carried out at barriers and on board public conveyances. Barbed wire barricades will once again be seen at all strategic exits. No extra ones, however, will be erected as previously.

Curfew in Force

Curfew regulations will be enforced as from tonight and motorists and pedestrians will be affected by the orders which will be enforced to the letter. All those found without curfew passes will be held for questioning.

No untoward incidents are expected by Chinese circles. While Chungking supporters will hoist the national flag, Nanking followers will also fly their slightly different colours.

Several Receptions

The Chinese community will observe the day quietly in view of the prevailing abnormal conditions in Shanghai. Special propaganda activities will take place in areas under the supervision of the Nanking government, it was learned.

In observance of Double Tenth, the Shanghai Special Municipality will hold a ceremony at its offices in the Civic Centre at 9 o'clock in the morning when Mr. Cheng Kung-po, Mayor of Shanghai, and various other officials and civilians will be present. After the ceremony, a reception will be held from 10.30 to 11.30 o'clock the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported.

Other highlights of the day will include various performances at the China Great Theatre on North Szechuen Road by the Propaganda Unit of the Municipality beginning from 8.30 o'clock in the morning, and a joint athletic meet of 40 Chinese primary and middle schools at Hongkew Park commencing at 8 o'clock in the morning, the "Shanghai Mainichi" added.

Alcott Broadcasts to Orient Through KGEI

The well-known voice of Mr. Caroll D. Alcott, local news commentator, was once again heard last night in the Far East, when he broadcast through KGEI, San Francisco at 9.45 p.m. Shanghai Time or 4.45 a.m. West Coast Time. He was questioned on the Orient by a radio reporter in the station.

Mr. Alcott, who spoke for approximately fifteen minutes, expressed his confidence in the future of Shanghai and declared that he would return to the city in about three months' time after a well earned holiday.

Asked about the business situation here, Mr. Alcott said that despite restrictions and wars, Shanghai was still one of the leading industrial cities in the world. He expressed his belief that the city would once again take its place as the chief port in the Far East.

Adding that Shanghai had as many churches as it had night clubs, he said that there was the good and bad side of the city. Before answering questions on the Orient, Mr. Alcott spoke of the passengers with whom he had travelled to the United States.

How Gamblers Were Duped By Operators

The raid on the gambling den in Burkill Road on Saturday afternoon, which resulted in the arrest of a Serge Elralidze and three Chinese and in the seizure of gambling paraphernalia, brought further results when detectives discovered that the confiscated wheel had been magnetized by the gambling den runners. The Russian and the Chinese, it may be recalled, were sentenced to terms of imprisonment by the First Special District Court on Tuesday.

When the detectives brought the paraphernalia to the station, they discovered that the table had been wired. Further investigations revealed that the roulette wheel had a magnet attached to its centre and that the base of the wheel had been wired from the brims to the centre. Another magnet was found in the gambling den.

It was believed that these two magnets, when contacted to each other, caused the mechanism under the wheel to place the magnet under some unbacked number and the magnet in its turn would cause the magnetized ball to stop just there. Just how the operators knew under what number to place the magnet still remains a mystery.

Serge Elralidze, described in the First Special District Court as the watchman of the den, is believed to have been charged with similar offences in South China. He was sentenced to five months' imprisonment on Tuesday.

THE CINEMA

"The Road to Zanzibar"

Chuck	Bing Crosby
Fearless	Bob Hope
Donna Latour	Dorothy Lamour
Julia	Una Merkel
Charles Kimble	Eric Blore
Booth Proprietor	Luis Alberni

Here is another momentous episode in the chequered career of Crosby & Hope (what a Hope!) Inc. who by the way, make as fine a team of comedians as one would wish to see anywhere, with old friend Miss Dorothy Lamour as junior partner. From Singapore, or way ports on the non-existent "road" to that British bastion in the Far East, the two blithe barnstormers have ended up in Darkest Africa in the persons of "Fearless Frazier" and "Chuck Reardon," the "Fearless" one being Hope and the other Crosby. In the "Road to Zanzibar," which is the momentous episode referred to in the opening sentence of this review, and which opened its run,—a long one it must be—at the Grand Theatre yesterday, the two old friends of 'Road to Singapore' days barnstorm their way across Africa in order to raise the passage money back home to Birch Falls, a nostalgic longing for which forces "Fearless," much against his will, to act the part of a human, blazing cannon ball with disastrous results to the lock, stock and barrel of a circus, which, incidentally, "carries coals to Newcastle" by showing to African inhabitants lions, tigers, elephants and the what-have-you they are reputed, in geography books, to see in their natural state day after day and night after night. But why worry about that? To continue, "Fearless," after he and his partner have managed to evade arrest for ruining one completely good circus, becomes the "Bat Man," complete with oversize wings. When his broken bones have finally mended, he gets "electrocuted" and Chuck gets the U.S.$5,000, which is to take them both home. After baulking at fighting an octopus in a tank, "Fearless" gets a worse shock when he discovers that his pal has bought a "diamond mine" with the $5,000 that was to carry them home. He sells the "mine" and then they have to beat it quicker than they have ever beaten it before. Finally they come across two charming rogues in the persons of Miss Lamour and her partner, Miss Una Merkel, and a trek across the Dark Continent is on the way with Hope and Crosby as the biggest couple of suckers one would wish to find anywhere. This is where the real fun starts. Crosby and his pal are mistaken for white gods. The mistake is corrected. Hope tries to put the "death lock" on a gorilla—and fails. Crosby sings. Hope is attacked—by love. Crosby ditto. And so it goes on from one hilarious situation to another. A comedy you will not forget is the "Road to Zanzibar."—R.S.

Attlee Leaves For New York

London, Oct. 8.

Mr. Clement R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, was en route to New York yesterday to represent the British Government at the International Labour Office conference there, authoritative quarters revealed. — United Press.

Prominent Chinese in America to Wed

San Francisco, Oct. 8.

An ancient Chinese ceremony held in the flower garden yesterday marked the formal announcement of the betrothal of Miss Woo Jih-yung, daughter of Mr. Y. C. Woo, prominent Chinese banker, and Mr. T. A. Soong, general manager of the China Development Finance Corporation in Chungking and brother of Mr. T. V. Soong, head of the Chinese Defence Commission at Washington, D.C.

Mr. Feng Chih-tsing, Chinese Consul-General, was the official announcer. Mr. Alfred Sze, former Chinese Ambassador, served for the Woo family and Mr. K. L. Wong, president of the Bank of Canton, served for the Soong family.

The prospective bride at present is a student at the University of California.—United Press.

Anglo-Iraq Relations Declared Cordial

Peshawar, Oct. 6.

Relations between the British and Iraq Governments are most cordial, according to Aziz Yamulki, Iraq Charge d'Affaires at Kabul, who is now on a visit here.

Yamulki, in an interview with Reuter yesterday, said evidence of a further strengthening of friendship between Iraq and Afghanistan was to be found in the appointment of an Afghan Minister at Baghdad.

Paying tribute to the progress made by Afghanistan in recent times, Yamulki expressed the opinion that the Afghan army was "quite adequate and capable for the requirements of the country."—Reuter.

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Current Films

NANKING.—"Topper Returns."—Laughs and shivers swiftly alternate as the ghost of a murdered girl claims the assistance of the ever chivalrous but sorely harassed Topper in tracking down the man who stabbed her. With **Roland Young, Joan Blondell, Carole Landis, Billy Burke, Dennis O'Keefe, Patsy Kelly, H. B. Warner, Rochester** and George Zucco. Last day.

GRAND.—"The Road to Zanzibar."—Sparkling comedy, witty gags, new hits, as a couple of carnival men barnstorm their way through Africa and get taken for a ride by a pair of stranded girls. With Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Dorothy Lamour, Una Merkel, Eric Blore. Reviewed elsewhere.

CATHAY.—"The Great Lie."—The love story of a magnificent cheat...a woman who rises to the greatest heights of sacrifice for the man she loves—even to mothering his child by "the other woman." With Bette Davis, George Brent, Mary Astor, Lucile Watson, Hattie McDaniel. One day only.

ROXY.—"A Woman's Face."—Joan Crawford scores the greatest triumph of her long screen career in this brilliant dramatic story. Co-starred with Joan Crawford is Melvyn Douglas, while the supporting cast is headed by such well-known actors as Conrad Veidt, Reginald Owen and Albert Basserman. Last day.

CAPITOL.—"Virginia City."—Gripping and colourful story of the South's last despairing effort to win the Civil War by means of the gold that sympathizers have collected in far away Nevada in fabulous Virginia City. With Errol Flynn, Miriam Hopkins, Randolph Scott, Humphrey Bogart, Frank McHugh and Alan Hale.

DOUMER.—"Dodge City."—The lovers of "Robin Hood" together again in another film of thrilling adventure and touching romance, in technicolour and starring Errol Flynn, Olivia de Haviland and Ann Sheridan, and supported by numerous veterans of the screen.

UPTOWN.—"Alias The Deacon."—With Bob Burns, Micha Auer, Dennis O'Keefe, Peggy Moran, Guinn Williams and Ed Brophy. Radio ace of comics, Bob Burns, with his deck of jokers. A jolly felon with a twinkle in his eye and four aces up his sleeve.

Films Coming

"My Life With Caroline."—With Hubby's nose forever at the business grindstone and hopelessly romantic Wife bent on supplanting him by a more attentive spouse, the neglectful one finds heroic methods are necessary to keep his little lady from making a fool of herself. With Ronald Colman, Anna Lee, Charles Winninger, Reginald Gardiner, Gilbert Roland. Coming tomorrow to the **CATHAY**.

"In the Navy."—The two stars of "Buck Privates" are once more serving Uncle Sam, at the Naval Training Station, in a comedy riot that involves the presence on a battleship at sea of a lady reporter out in search of a missing radio star. With Bud Abbott, Lou Costello, Dick Powell, Claire Dodd, Dick Foran and the Andrews Sisters. Coming tomorrow to the **NANKING**.

"Billy The Kid."—Robert Taylor's first Western adventure, filmed in glorious technicolour amid the rugged scenery of the Pioneer West. The story of Billy the Kid—the hardest riding, straightest shooting son-of-a-gun West of the Pecos. With Mary Howard, Brian Donlevy, Ian Hunter, Gene Lockhart, Lon Chaney, Jr. and many others. Tomorrow at the **ROXY**.

"Moon Over Miami."—Laughs, lilting melodies and breath-taking dance routines in a fast-moving, gay-filled musical romance, filmed against a lovely Florida background in a feast of gorgeous Technicolour. With Betty Grable, Don Ameche, Robert Cummings, Charlotte Greenwood, Jack Haley, Carole Landis, Cobina Wright and umpteen beautiful girls. Opening picture for the **MAJESTIC THEATRE**.

"Shining Victory."—A. J. Cronin's latest and most powerfully dramatic romance, built around two clever young people whose devotion to their medical careers cannot stifle their love for each other. With James Stephenson, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Barbara O'Neil, Donald Crisp, Montague Love, Sig Rumann and G. P. Huntley. Coming to the **CATHAY**.

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"Tom, Dick and Harry."—It's probably her work at the switch that makes it easy for an imaginative little telephone operator to become engaged to three fellows at once. Just how it all works out makes the merriest farce of the season. With Ginger Rogers, George Murphy, Alan Marshall and Burgess Meredith. Coming to the **NANKING**.

"The Parson of Panamint."—Peter B. Kyne's colourful and exciting story of a fighting parson who tried to clean up a boom town at the height of the gold rush—to barely escape death on the gallows! With Charles Ruggles, Phil Terry, Joseph Schildkraut, Porter Hall, Janet Beecher, Henry Kolker and Douglas Fowley. Coming to the **GRAND**.

"The Girl in the News."—Tensely dramatic tale of a lovely young nurse who is made the object of what looks like the perfect crime, until a clever stratagem unmasks the guilty party. With Margaret Lockwood, Barry K. Barnes, Emlyn Williams, Roger Livesey. Coming to the **CATHAY**.

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"Billy the Kid"

Robert Taylor has his first Western adventure in this story of a Robin Hood of the Range, with Mary Howard and Brian Donlevy (shown above) giving sterling support. This picture will open at the Roxy tomorrow.

"Road to Zanzibar"

The stars of "Road to Singapore" are at it again, this time in a hilarious comedy of the "brightest Lafrica." The picture above shows Bob Hope, Dorothy Lamour and Bing Crosby in one of their musical moments. At the Grand.

"My Life with Caroline"

Ronald Colman and newcomer Anna Lee are delightful in this comedy of a husband who outwits his wife when she starts roaming to find romance. Charles Winninger and Reginald Gardiner are in the supporting cast. Tomorrow at the Cathay.

"In the Navy"

Lou Costello and Bud Abbott are back again, this time in the navy, with Dick Powell playing the romantic role opposite Claire Dodd. This film will follow "Topper Returns" at the Nanking and will open tomorrow.

Buchan Cocktail Featured

At the cocktail bar of the All Baba Night Club a new and delicious drink, the Buchan Cocktail, is being featured and is becoming increasingly popular with guests. The drink is personally mixed by Bartender Johnny Heynemann. Music for dancing is provided by the Guy Roberts orchestra, with Geza & Gino, K. James and Jack. The All Baba serves short orders and standard dishes and is open all night. Mr. Kurt Winter is general manager.

Park Hotel Attractions

A well chosen programme continues to attract the attention of the gay set at the Park Hotel where Lantzoff and Svetlanova, Miss Francisca, popular exponent of Spanish dances, and the Gal-Rae Sisters appear nightly. Leo Itkis and his band supply dance music. On Tuesdays, the management presents their Candle Light Night, with the Pan Yu Zen and his troupe of acrobats heading an extensive programme.

To Dine and Dance

ALI BABA.—Night club. Guy Roberts orchestra.—Geza and Gino.

ARGENTINA.—Night club. Lundstrem and his orchestra. Mila and the Two Micks. Garden open. George and Allen, Pan troupe.

BOLERO.—Night club. Charlie Albert's orchestra. Tamara.

CASANOVA.—Gloria Andico's orchestra. Kniazeff Duo.

CATHAY HOTEL LOUNGE.—Morning and afternoon tea, cocktails.

CATHAY RESTAURANT.—8th floor.

COSMO CLUB.—Morris' orchestra. Dorothy Baker.

D. D.'S NIGHT CLUB.—Russian and foreign style cuisine. Tino's orchestra.

FARREN'S.—Farren's music-makers. Sally Manuela and the Two Clumsy Kids. Anne Klu.

HOBBY.—Restaurant and Night club. Gay music, attractive hostesses and excellent service.

HUNGARIA.—Night club and restaurant.

JESSFIELD.—Night club. Teddy and Ferry Guzza—also Havsky.

MERRY WIDOW.—Night Club. 1354 Yu Yuen Road.

METROPOLE HOTEL.—Grill and dining rooms for business tiffins and other occasions.

PARAMOUNT.—Cabaret. Tony Diaz's swing orchestra.

PARK HOTEL.—Dancing nightly. Sunday and Thursday tea dances. Itkis' orchestra, Lantzoff and Svetanova Francisca Olympia Elnik.

TOWER.—Night club. Tower orchestra. Nightly excepting Sunday.

Shirley Temple Returns To the Screen

Shirley Jane Temple, two and a half inches taller than she was in her last Twentieth Century-Fox film, "Young People," is returning to the screen after 16 months of private life. Her vehicle is "Kathleen," a story by Kay Van Riper, which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is producing with due regard for Miss Temple's former importance.

The child actress now is four feet, eleven and a half inches tall and 13 years old. Her hair is several shades darker than it was, the change being a natural result of aging, according to Mrs. Gertrude Temple, Shirley's mother and helpmate. The child's weight fluctuates between 100 and 101 pounds, and she is markedly slenderer than she used to be, her mother says.

Harold S. Bucquet is directing "Kathleen" with Herbert Marshall, Laraine Day, Gail Patrick and Felix Bressart appearing in support of Miss Temple. The story involves a child of wealth who is disgruntled because her father finds his business more interesting than his daughter.

Mrs. Temple's memory of Fox involves apologies for her daughter's later pictures there, but she is delighted with the atmosphere at Metro, even though Shirley's contract with the company was curtailed to one picture by mutual consent. Their reported salaries are $2,500 a week to Shirley and $1,000 a week to Mrs.

Le Ballet Russe

Le Ballet Russe will raise the curtain of the season on Thursday, October 23, at the Lyceum Theatre, when the gala performance of "Raymonda," a symphonic ballet in three acts with Music by Glazounoff, takes place. The ballet will be produced by Mr. N. M. Sokolsky, while Maestro A. Sloutsky will conduct the orchestra. The scenery is by Mr. M. Domrachev.

Le Ballet Russes announces that, despite the ever rising costs, the custom of presenting new shows with new decorations and costumes will be adhered to. The opening ballet will have the beautiful prima ballerina Helen Bobinina in the leading role, while the supporting cast should satisfy anyone's imagination and knowledge of choreography.

Argentina Night Club

The Argentina Night Club, one of the most popular rendezvous of nightlifers, features a well balanced floor show, with Pan Yu Zen and his Chinese troupe of acrobats, supported by George and Allen, diminutive stars, and other popular artistes. The music is by the popular Oleg Lundstrem band, which consists of versatile musicians and singers. In the Bar of Music, on the second floor, Sandor Stern, well known accordeonist, supplies music for dancing. The Bar of Music has its own dance floor, the largest cocktail bar and private dining rooms. The Argentina has a large private compound for the parking of motor cars, foreign watchmen being in attendence.

New Songs At Bolero

The Charles Albert orchestra at the Bolero Night Club has received and is now playing new dance successes from the United States; including the highly-popular "Daddy" and "Intermezzo" as well as "Blue Champagne," "You and I" and "We'll Meet Again." The Bolero has a fine singing trio, the vocalists being Mr. Albert, Miss Tamara and Jack Reiss. The violinist of the band is the able Ernest Schlittner, and with Freddie Loewy at the drums. Services are by foreign waiters, under the personal direction of Joe Eiffr.

Programme at Farren's

Farren's is presenting a superb new programme, with the popular Alla and Helga, better known as the "Two Jumbo Kids," Anne Klu, magnificent impersonator and Manuela, favourite Oriental dancer. Dinner and dance music is supplied by Otto Joachim and his versatile musicians, with Sally vocalizing. The kitchen is under the supervision of G. Martin, and patrons may be assured that the food served at Farren's is of superior quality.

Hobby Night Club

Gay Music, attractive hostesses and excellent services are the attractions at the Hobby Restaurant and Night Club. Tiffins are served daily and there are tea dances every day from 4.30 to 7 p.m. Dinner dances are from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Hobby is at 7 Canter Road, at the corner of Bubbling Well Road.

Mickey Rooney Is Also A Musician

If Mickey Rooney weren't a leading actor, he might very well be a leading musician. That is an opinion expressed by musical experts from Paul Whiteman to Herbert Stothart, noted screen composer and scorer.

Even with his limited time to devote to his chief hobby, Mickey has succeeded in having six songs published and writing more than fifty. Most of these are buried in the bottom of a trunk and never have been sent to publishers. They are being kept for use in a musical show which Mickey hopes some day to write and produce. He already has the story outlined, and two dance numbers worked out in detail.

His proudest achievement, however, is his symphony, which he played at the White House while a guest at President Roosevelt's Birthday Ball. At present, he is working on another popular tune whenever he can find time between scenes and rehearsals for a forthcoming Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture. He always has a piano on the set, and frequently calls Judy Garland over to ask her opinion of a tune, and even to sing a few words so he can tell how it sounds when sung.

Believes in Modern Music

Mickey is a believer in modern music, and in the forming of small bands by any ambitious youngster. He himself has organized several groups like this, and still calls one such band together whenever craving a "jam session," or asked to play for a party. Mickey leads the orchestra, which usually features a number of his tunes.

"I get a lot of fun out of this," says Mickey. "And, you know, 'kid' bands have contributed lots to the development of music. From experience, I know that the bands without a big following feel more free to experiment musically, to try out new ideas and patterns in orchestration and arrangement. As a result, they often show the way to achieve new musical effects.

"That's why 'jitterbug' music has proven more lasting than anyone expected at first. Remember how everyone was claiming it was just a passing fad, that it would be gone within a couple of months? Well, the jitterbugs have been cutting rugs for a couple of years now, and there's no let-down in sight."

Being a band leader himself, Mickey is especially interested in orchestration. He spends much of his spare time at the studio in the recording stages, watching Stothart orchestrate and record musical backgrounds for pictures.

Orchestration Important

"That's a real art," Mickey says, admiringly. "Imagine, it has to be done so perfectly that it scarcely will be noticed by the audience. Yet subconsciously, it is heard. If you've ever seen rushes of films, before the musical background is added, you'll know what I mean. It takes music of the right type to put you in the correct mood for a scene.

"That's why orchestrating is so important to motion pictures. And that makes these small 'kid' bands important. They're the ones that always lead the way in taking an old favourite, or a classical song, and giving it a swing rendition. In a way, these kids are creative. To listen to a hot 'jitterbug' number, you wouldn't think that its author or arranger might turn out to be a modern Beethoven or Mozart, yet that's just what might happen."

So saying, Mickey suddenly ducked and made a dash for his piano. "Pardon me," he shouted over his shoulder. "That just gave me an idea for a new lyric."

Married Actors Barred From Studio Sets

Steffi Duna gets the blame—or the credit—for a new order to married players at RKO-Radio studio that their mates are to be barred from their sets.

Steffi, a dancer, went on the "Week-End for Three" set to watch hubby Dennis O'Keefe do a strenuous ballroom routine with Jane Wyatt. After one look, she telephoned her physician, who had released Dennis from a hospital only a few days before, following an emergency appendectomy.

The doctor came over and promptly forbade Dennis from continuing the dances. In the end, the studio rewrote the scene so that a strong and healthy player could dance with Miss Wyatt—while Dennis looked on.

The Cinema Success of Bernard Shaw

It used to be said that Bernard Shaw was no good on the screen. A film adaptation of "Why He Lied to Her Husband" was generally condemned as all talk without action, although it had some interesting moments and at least one remarkably good performance.

But Bernard Shaw's star is not easily quenched in any medium. He made up his mind that he would succeed as a maker of screen pictures and when Bernard Shaw makes up his mind, the thing is as good as done. The new Shaw screen era started with "Pygmalion". There was no doubt about success this time. The box-office told a positively astounding tale.

In the West-End of London and the smallest provincial town, overflowing houses were the rule. Now comes "Major Barbara" and again success is beyond question. Wendy Hiller has improved on her ex-flower-girl and the whole cast is about as good as it can be. Therefore, it is not surprising that the producer, Gabriel Pascal, is planning more Shaw triumphs.

It has just been decided that the next adaptation will be of "Arms and the Man". There are no announcements about the cast because no definite arrangements can be made at present. Mr. Pascal has not decided where the picture will be made. It may be in England or it may be in Canada. The actors and actresses to be engaged will depend on the locality of the studio.

But the producer's eye goes further on. He believes, or hopes, that he may be able to persuade Katharine Cornell, the famous American actress, who is making a great success on the stage in Shaw's Dilemma" to appear in a film version. This would be indeed a triumph for the producer as so far Miss Cornell has refused all offers to appear in pictures.

Biographies of Women To Be Screened

Miss Anita Loos, one of Hollywood's leading scenario writers, made herself famous in the book world some years ago by writing "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes". In that book she made it clear that she had a poor opinion of the gentlemen who were so easily exploited by the gold-digging blondes.

One would not say that Miss Loos is a man-hater or that her general attitude towards life is intensely serious. But she does feel that justice has not been done to women in the production of biographical pictures. She complains that films have been made about Edison, Henry VIII, Zola, Dryfus, Rhodes, Disraeli, Pitt and numerous others, while the lives of distinguished women have been inexcusably neglected.

Therefore, it is fitting that Miss Loos should have been given the task of making the script of the first picture dealing with the life of an everyday American woman, Mrs Edna Gladney, the Superintendent of the Texas Children's Home. Mrs Gladney will be impersonated on the screen by Greer Garson.

"You are going to see more and more biographies of women brought to the screen," is Miss Loos' prediction. "Women are daily encroaching farther into the realm formerly considered the province of men alone." It may be an augury of this that David Selznick is contemplating a production of "Joan of Arc", rivalling "Ben Hur" in magnificence with Ingrid Bergman in the title role.

Patricia Dane

lovely M.G.M. starlet, shown sunning herself near the pool at her home. She will soon be seen in "Ziegfeld Girl."

Miss Comingore Shows Her Medals

The press agents must be slipping. Otherwise there would be no accounting for the fact that a burgeoning star with the shining prospects of Dorothy Comingore should descend out of the sky with the coming of dawn over La Guardia Field, after an all-night flight from Omaha, without even a hint from the drumbeaters of RKO. Perhaps, in this instance, her timing was bad. But then Miss Comingore belongs to that rare breed of actresses who would much prefer to make an impression upon the screen, which she most certainly did as Orson Welles's second wife in "Citizen Kane," rather than via the public prints.

Tall, lissome, auburn-haired and in her middle twenties, Miss Comingore does not even remotely resemble the simple, blond and somewhat childlike heroine of "Citizen Kane." But she couldn't quite conceal the excitement and awe one feels on a first trip to the big town as she gazed on Central Park's green acres. It was a short-lived visit, however, for two days later she was off to Boston, Washington and other cities to complete a personal appearance tour before starting work on "Valley of the Sun," from the Clarence Budington Kelland novel.

The Open Road

Travel has been like second nature with Miss Comingore since she left the University of California (she laughingly refused to say just when) to model for artists and to work at the Kit Carson Museum in Taos, N. M. Later she did more modeling in Downieville, a California mining town, after which she landed with the Carmel Little Theatre, a short jump from her native Los Angeles. But this present excursion is fraught with anticipatory pleasure, Miss Comingore confessed, for she will shortly rejoin her husband, Richard Collins, a scenario writer, and their seven-month-old baby, Judith Melinda.

Apprenticeship

After a year's stage apprenticeship with the Carmel group, a word of praise from Charlie Chaplin, who saw her in "The Night of January 16" and "The Cradle Song," resulted in a round of publicity and a Warner contract. "All I did there," she ruefully admitted, "was to pose for leg art publicity stills." She also had her name changed to Linda Winters. Three months later she was again looking about for a job. Then she was hired as a bit player by Columbia. The latter afforded her steady employment but was extremely disillusioning, she reflected.

Artistically she reached her perihelion at that studio as one of a mob of girls who effusively kissed James Stewart upon his arrival in the national capital in Frank Capra's "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington." Finally, after Columbia cast her for a bit role as a foil for the Three Stooges in a two-reel comedy, Miss Comingore, at the end of her tether, quit the studio and joined her husband on the California relief rolls. She was rescued from a financial and mental morass in July, 1940, largely through the efforts of Orson Welles's publicity chief, Herbert Drake, who suggested her for the part of the second Mrs. Kane.

For Welles Miss Comingore has great admiration as a director, actor and vibrant personality. "He's not at all snobbish toward pictures. He sees them as an entirely separate medium and not just the photographing of a static play." Welles, she said, knows what he wants when he sees it and as proof of this revealed that her test assignments—the cafe scene and her attempted suicide in "Citizen Kane"—were used almost unchanged in the completed film.

At the moment she desires to play Theodore Dreiser's "Sister Carrie." "There's a character who grows with each new experience," says Miss Comingore, "whereas Susan Alexander Kane, surrounded by a roomful of dolls, showed no growth and never grasped that there really was an intellectual side to life." This current yearning is purely wishful, however. But Miss Comingore, who drew a two-month suspension a while back for refusing to do "Week-End for Three" at RKO, because she didn't believe she could handle comedy, is still likely to remain forthright in her choice of film roles. At any rate, the California relief rolls now seem far away.

Halliwell Hobbes, veteran British character actor, received news on the "Dr. Kildare" set in a cable announcement that his son, Bombardier Peter Hobbes, has been recommended for a commission and sent to cadet school in England. Young Hobbes, who played in many Hollywood pictures before joining the British army, will be an artillery officer.

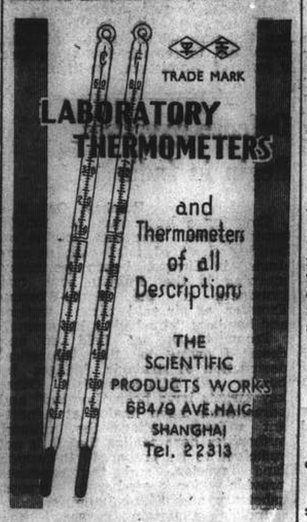
Ten Likely Prospects For Future Stardom

After a long period of complacency during which only minor changes were deemed necessary in Hollywood's solar system, there has come of late a good deal of genuine concern anent finding suitable replacements for those stars who are waning today. Indicative of the keen interest in this problem is the enthusiastic response of theatre owners in this country and Canada to a poll seeking a key to tomorrow's stars, which "The Motion Picture Herald" conducted among 7,200 independent exhibitors and 5,500 operators of circuit theatres.

Though the questionnaire sought only names of the ten foremost prospects, no less than 130 players were nominated. But the breakdown showed, however, that those who placed among the first ten had been listed on at least one-third of all the ballots, and were indeed substantial favourites on each.

The results are probably as representative of public taste as any poll could be, for it was made on the basis of box office popularity, not according to the theatre men's personal likes. Of course, it is quite possible the latter was a factor in some cases, but its importance can be generally discounted, since theatre men are naturally interested first and foremost in breadwinners.

Here, then, in order of votes received, is the list of the ten most likely prospects for future stardom: Laraine Day (Metro), Rita Hayworth (Columbia), Ruth Hussey (Metro), Robert Preston (Paramount), Ronald Reagan (Warners), John Payne (Fox), Jeffrey Lynn (Warners), Ann Rutherford (Metro), Dennis Morgan (Warners), Jackie Cooper (Columbia).



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

S. M. Orchestra:

A Rebuke Justified?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to the correspondent who signs himself MAX KLESTADT, I would say to him for all his superfluous pendantry he sounds a little bit ridiculous too. Three years in Shanghai, you are going to step off at the Customs jetty and after a quiet look round which takes you three years, you are going to clean up the place over the heads of those who have been in Shanghai much longer and who are much better acquainted with the problems.

Viewed in their true perspective the correspondent JAN VAN DEN BERG's observations are not by any means ridiculous. Our case might or might not be a good one; a lot depends on how we present it. JUNIUS SECUNDUS is very unfortunate in this respect, i.e. the picture he presents we admit, is only too true, but somehow the background he uses somehow just doesn't fit in. A view of his comfort and contentment and I think resultant complacency does not answer as a background to his picture of the T. B. menace or the other unfortunate incidents he mentioned. Therefore, JAN VAN DEN BERG's rebuke is perfectly justified.

In conclusion a careful perusal of the newspapers as they are published daily will show unmistakably that commensurate with the known needs and I emphasize, known needs, Shanghai residents give—(1st) freely, (2nd) steadily, (3rd) consistently and (4th) and soundest of all, what they can afford.

Why, I say do we wait until some matter of interest to the community is being commented on to present a specific need. Much sounder it would be to try and make the need known quite apart from the Municipal Orchestra, schools etc. We are merely causing confusion and jeopardizing our aim, otherwise.

SCOTTY.

Shanghai, Oct. 7.

Calendar Wanted:

Of Twenty-Two Years Ago

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Do you or any of your readers by any chance possess a calendar of 22 years ago (1919 with both foreign and chinese dates)?

I would be much obliged to any one who would be willing to lend it to me for a day or two.

IN URGENT NEED.

Shanghai, Oct. 7.

An Enquiry:

About Karam Shorthand

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Will one of your readers acquainted with the Karam system of shorthand let me know whether this system will provide a necessary speed and would meet requirements of local business establishments, or advise me otherwise?

AN OFFICE MOUSE.

Shanghai, Oct. 8.

Praise for XMHC:

Successful Amateur Program

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I would appreciate a small space in your journal to compliment Radio Station XMHC and the "Embankment Troubadours" for having put over a successful amateur programme.

I definitely enjoyed it and I am sure that all radio listeners are looking forward to their next broadcast.

MUSIC LOVER.

Shanghai, Oct. 8.

Idle May Be Compelled To Work in Thailand

Bangkok, Oct. 8.

To provide jobs for the unemployed and to compel the idle to work and earn a decent living, the Government of Thailand has introduced an urgent Bill in the National Assembly of the People's Representatives.

If the people had work to do and food to eat there would be less crime in the country, said the Minister of Justice, Luang Thamrong Navasvat, in commending the Bill to the House.

The present Bill, he said, would make it compulsory for the people to have some means of making a livelihood. Those who had enough resources to look after themselves and their families would be exempt.

Poverty and Revolution

He pointed out that it was the poverty of the people that had led to the bloodless revolution of June 1932 which overthrew absolute monarchy and installed a constitutional regime. He then enumerated the many projects launched by the present Government in the last few years to improve the economic conditions of the Thais. He said that some people had money but would not enter industry: others had no money but were full of ideas; then there was the large mass that had neither money nor ideas, and this formed the labouring class.

He deplored the failure of Thai labour to derive full benefit from the proviso that all employers must reserve 75 per cent. of required labour for Thai nationals.—Reuter.

Manchoukuo Plans to Build 10 New Railways

Tokyo, Oct. 8.

Construction of more than 10 new railways linking principal ports with the hinterland will be one of the chief projects of Manchoukuo's second five-year plan which will get under way in 1942, it was reliably learned here today.

As drafted by the Manchoukuo government, the plan will include increasing Manchoukuo's coal production by 60 per cent. in order to meet increasing demands from Japanese and Manchoukuoan industries.

It is understood that Manchoukuo's second five-year plan will be formally adopted following approval by the Japan-Manchoukuo-China Economic Conference now in session in Tokyo.—Domei.

Indian Assault Case Adjourned

The undesirability of witnesses remaining in court while another witness is giving evidence was stressed before the Registrar, Mr. C. H. Haines, in H.M. Police Court yesterday by Mr. Ranald McDonald when appearing for the defence of Usuff S. Kullo and Abdulla, two Indians charged with assaulting a Chinese police constable of the S.M.P. on September 19. Mr. C. E. Sherwin prosecuted for the S.M.P. The case was adjourned until Monday morning.

The constable in the witness-box stated that he was on duty at No. 12 pontoon on the Bund on September 19, with another constable, C.P.C. 1610 and a woman searcher. There were many people there at the time he said, and his attention was drawn to three Indians, one of whom appeared to be drunk.

One of the Indians, he said, began kicking at the luggage of the Chinese. The offender, who he identified in court as Kullo, when told to desist continued to kick the luggage and abused him by calling him *"Pihsai"* or loafer and pointing out that it was not his business. The third Indian, who witness identified in court, sitting with the spectators at the back, attempted to pacify the parties. When he tried to arrest Kullo, witness added, the Indian pushed him and they fell down. Abdulla joined in the fray and kicked him on the right eye while Kullo struck him twice on the head, he said. When he drew his baton in self-defence, it was snatched away from him. C.P.C. 1610 came to his assistance subsequently and took the Indians to the sub-station at No. 4 pontoon while witness went to the Central Station in a rickshaw and later to the police hospital in Hongkew where he remained a week.

Witness went into details regarding the fray which prompted Mr. McDonald to remark that there was a form of promiscuous ju-jitsu.

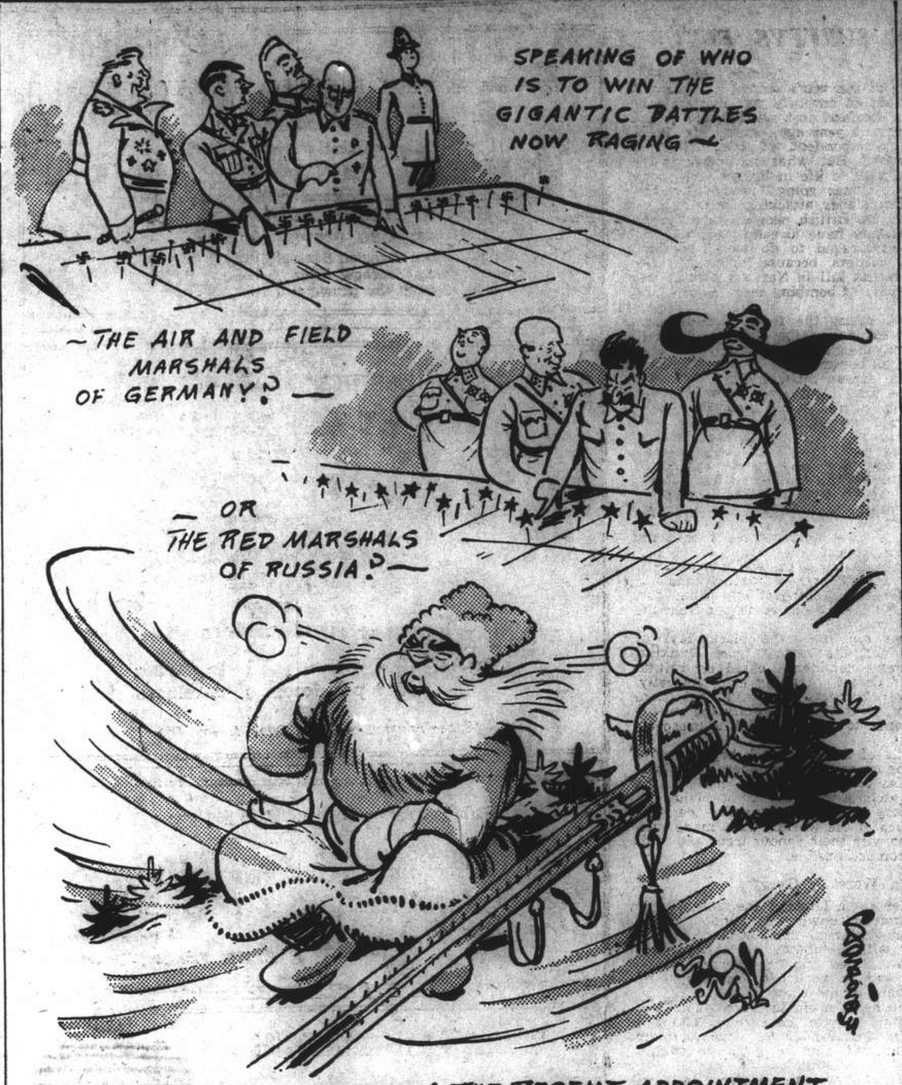
Defence Exercises Begin in India

Bombay, Oct. 8.

Covering a huge area of 230,000 square miles, exercises envisaging nothing short of total war, as conducted in Europe, began yesterday morning in the Punjab and two provinces of the North-Western Frontier, as air raid sirens wailed, and bombers "attacked" a big arsenal.

Troop trains are held up and deserted owing to the theoretical destruction of strategic bridges by bombs and fifth-columnists. Other key targets have been "bombed" and parachutists have landed at important railway stations—the military authorities here realize that it is not sufficient to be prepared to smash land invasion, and the exercises provide for air-borne troops, saboteurs and fifth-columnists.

India's mountain rangers now bristle with the most modern fortifications of a scope and character never before envisaged in this country, and preparations have been made for the reception of a considerable body of the air force in the event of a threat to India's safety reaching a certain stage. This great store-house, this arsenal of the Empire, will be ready if Hitler's hordes ever come.—Reuter.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—THE AIR AND FIELD MARSHALS OF GERMANY?—
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—WE MUSTN'T OVERLOOK THE RECENT APPOINTMENT OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE SNOW MARSHAL FATHER FROST.
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The New Soviet C.-in-C.

Press Men Appeal For Release Of Colleague

Accompanied by Dr. Piero V. E. Terni, Italian lawyer in Shanghai, representatives of the "Chinese American Daily News" called on the French authorities in the French Concession in Shanghai on Tuesday trying to regain the freedom of Mr. Chang Zah-ko, editor of the Chinese daily who was arrested in the Concession some time ago at the request of the Japanese.

Authorities of the Chinese newspaper insisted that since Mr. Chang is entirely innocent he should not be detained by the French police and it was reported yesterday that although no definite answer was obtained on Tuesday from French officials, M. Radenac, Vice-Consul of the French Consulate-General, was said to have told the paper's representatives that if Mr. Chang is entirely innocent there should be no reason for his detention by the French police.

Senior Officials Engaged

They first visited the French Consul-General who was absent at the time. They were therefore received by the Vice-Consul. They also called on M. Cosme, French Ambassador to China, who had no time to receive them since he was engaged in preparing to leave Shanghai for North China. The Ambassador's secretary, M. Castelet, received them. It was said that the Ambassador, to whom a written petition had previously been sent, had referred the matter to the French Consul-General. So they again visited the latter.

It will be recalled that Mr. Chang, who is charged by the Japanese with being involved in communist and terrorist activities, was recently brought before the Second Special District Court. Dr. Terni, who represented him, strongly opposed his extradition to the Japanese and so Mr. Chang was returned to the French police custody.

P.I. Reserves to Be Called Up

Manila, Oct. 8.

The first regiment of the Philippines Constabulary will be called up on October 15 for service with United States forces, it was officially announced today by the Headquarters of Lieutenant-General Douglas C. MacArthur, Commander-in-Chief of United States Armed Forces in the Far East.

The group to be called up will include approximately 1,200 officers and men. Late in October, the U.S.A.F.F.E. will muster a portion of the Philippine Army Coast Artillery.—United Press.

Thai "Country Cousins" To See Bangkok

Bangkok, Oct. 8.

Nearly 200 of Bangkok's "country cousins" are expected to arrive in the capital shortly on a free-of-charge "conducted" four under Government auspices and will stay here for ten days. This will be the first time in their lives that they are seeing their country's capital.

As a large number of provincials have died without seeing the capital even once in their lifetime, the Government has decided to give provincials free facilities to visit Bangkok. Members of the Thai Cabinet have agreed to a levy of one per cent. of their salaries each month to create a fund to meet the expenses of these conducted tours. —Reuter.

Japanese Gold For Thailand

Bangkok, Oct. 8.

Ticals 15,000,000 (£1,500,000) worth of gold has already been bought by Thailand from Japan under the recent agreement to buy Tcs. 25,000,000 (£2,500,000) worth of gold, and the precious metal is now on its way, it is reported.

The agreement, it will be recalled, was meant to enable Japan to secure Thai currency which she could not get otherwise because of the Anglo-American Freezing order.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF OCTOBER 9, 1871

From Tientsin:—All yesterday the wind blew pretty strongly from the east, causing the water to rise over five inches in the plains. At 9 p.m. the sky was clear; with wind the same as during the day. I was awaken at daylight this morning by thunder and a heavy rain beating against my windows; and when I went to the door I found we were having a severe storm from the east, with heavy rain and a strong cold wind. The rain has now ceased, but the wind is blowing as strongly as ever; we may consequently look for a very high tide and the water in the plains higher than ever. We had hoped from seeing several fleets of geese fly south, that we were going to have finally the wind from the north, when we noticed to see the waters fall rapidly, but such has up to this hour not been the case.

Serious View Taken in Japan Over Manila Conferences

Tokyo, Oct. 8.

VIRTUALLY all metropolitan morning papers, commenting today on recent developments in the Far East, held a serious view of the possible outcome of the Manila conference, and declared that while Japan was fully determined to preserve peace to the very last, nevertheless she was prepared for any emergency.

Newspapers pointed out that Prince Fumimaro Konoye's message to President Roosevelt was a sincere attempt to diagnose and eliminate the "Pacific cancer," but that continuously increasing United States assistance to Chungking, and the tightening of military, economic and political encirclement of Japan indicated that the United States was not willing to be anything but hostile.

Morning journals voiced deep concern over steadily expanding United States activities in the Far East, which they maintained were absolutely antagonistic to Japan's attempts to create an East Asia prosperity sphere.

The "Yomiuri" declared, "Confronted with such a situation, Japan, who is responsible for the great task of reorganizing East Asia, must not overlook the United States' steady encroachment on East Asia."

The "Nichi-Nichi," referring to the Japanese-American negotiations, declared, "While we know nothing about the progress of the negotiations .....we hope that our representatives will succeed in securing peace in the Pacific without damaging our national interests and position." The paper added, "However, we are now inclined to think that things are not going so well as we hoped."

The paper declared that every effort should be made for a readjustment of diplomatic relations, but warned, "Our policy must not be dictated by the United States." It reiterated that Japan's basic policy was settlement of the China Affair.

Japan could not remain indifferent to whatever developments followed the Manila conference, declared the metropolitan newspapers "Hochi" and "Asahi" this morning, expressing the general tone of the press here.

The influential "Asahi" declared that the Manila conference resulted from attempts to augment British preparations to consolidate defences in British territories in the south-western Pacific with American assistance, and to furnish joint Anglo-American assistance to Chungking.

Writing in the same vein, the "Hochi" declared that the Manila conference discussed, first, joint Anglo-American aid to Chungking, and secondly, the prosecution of a common strategy by British and Chungking troops in southwestern China, and ways and means by which the United States would give flanking military aid to these forces.

The "Hochi" doubted that the United States had sincere intentions in the current Japanese-American negotiations, in the light of the fact that the United States, with Britain, was tightening the encirclement around Japan as well as discussing common strategy to suppress Japan.

The "Asahi" declared, "The United States thus is increasing the cancers in Japanese-American relations which the Konoye message was purported to discover."

"Kokumin" Flays U.S.

Japan initiated negotiations with the United States with a view to thwarting the danger of war in the troubled waters of the Pacific. The United States, however, purposely ignored the implications of the Japanese position in the Far East, the "Kokumin Shimbun" declared editorially.

The paper warned that there was a limit to Japan's perseverance and measures for peace, adding that the Japanese nation must rise to its feet when this limit was ignored. The United States, therefore, should be "wholly responsible for any misfortune thereby arising."

The "Kokumin" asserted that although nothing was known concerning the progress and contents of the Japanese-American negotiations, "We should say that Japan must be prepared to meet the worst, judging from the United States' arrogant attitude. The only thing the government must do in anticipation of such an eventuality is to raise the nation's *moral* to the highest degree."—Domei.

Situation in Far East Not Worsening, Declares Duff Cooper

Rangoon, Oct. 8.

"The situation in the Far East is not worsening, and there is something of a lull for the moment," said Mr. Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper at a press conference here yesterday.

He said he knew nothing about the American-Japanese talks, but hoped they would help.

Mr. Duff Cooper said that his present mission was one of administration rather than policy and one of co-ordinating the activities of different representatives of the British Commonwealth in the Far East.

He added that he was most impressed by the military forces in Burma. Accompanied by Lady Diana, Mr. Duff-Cooper will fly to Simla today on a brief visit to India.—Reuter.

Calls on Thai Premier

Tokyo, Oct. 8.

Taking advantage of his two-hour stop-over at Bangkok while en route to India from Singapore, Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, Far Eastern representative of the British War Cabinet, Thai Premier Luang Pibul Songram, as well as Foreign Minister Naidirek Chayanama, the Bangkok correspondent of the "Yomiuri Shimbun" reported today.

The paper understood that the meeting was a mere formality. —Domei.

Japan Must Be Ready To "Tighten Belt"

Tokyo, Oct. 8.

Vice-Admiral Seizo Sakonji, Ret., Minister of Commerce and Industry, today declared that Japan's economic situation will be further strained in the future and that "the people must be prepared for a lower standard of living."

In an interview granted to the press while *en route* to Osaka, he declared that "it is now well known that Japan can expect little from third parties for principal materials which hitherto had been supplied from overseas."—United Press.

Dutch Refugees From Lisbon Due in N.E.I.

Batavia, Oct. 8.

Another batch of Netherlands refugees from Lisbon is due to arrive here shortly. The exact number is not yet known as some of them intended to leave the ship at Capetown. Altogether 36 Netherlanders left Lisbon.—Reuter.

Abend Views Chances of Attack on N.E.I.

Batavia, Oct. 8.

Japan will never attack the Netherlands East Indies or Malaya without first taking measures against the Philippines, declared Mr. Hallett Abend, former Shanghai Correspondent of the "New York Times," who left Batavia by air for Sydney two days ago.

Mr. Abend stated that the Philippines' defences had been greatly strengthened as 130,000 Filipinos were at present receiving military training, in addition to very strong American air and naval defences.—Reuter.

Manila-Hongkong Air Service Improved

Hongkong, Oct. 7.

An announcement was made by the local offices of the Pan-American Airways that commencing Sunday, October 12, the Manila-Hongkong run will be improved by the use of Sikorsky S-12 32-seater clipper planes, instead of the smaller Boeing and Martin planes hitherto used, and that arrivals in Hongkong from Manila will be on Sundays and Tuesdays, and departures from Hongkong on Mondays and Wednesdays. —Domei.

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A TRICK UNMASKED

BRITISH EX-SERVICEMAN, in his letter published in the correspondence columns yesterday, on the subject of the Anglo-German exchange of seriously wounded war prisoners, was closer to the mark, when he suggested it was a trick to obtain a surcease from British bombing of western Germany, than appeared likely when he first wrote his letter. The whole episode now stands out quite clearly as another typical piece of Nazi perfidy, and there will be complete agreement with the Secretary of State for War in his declaration that the British Government was not prepared to risk being made the victim of a flagrant breach of faith on the part of the Germans. The negotiations for the exchange were based upon the international convention relative to the treatment of prisoners of war, which the present German Government has recognized as binding upon it. Article 68 provides that belligerents shall be required to send back to their own country, without regard to rank or number, after rendering them in fit condition for transport, prisoners of war seriously ill, or seriously wounded.

After carrying on negotiations on that basis for some weeks, the German Government announced that it was prepared to agree only to a limited exchange on a numerical basis, which is quite clearly against the intention of Article 68, apparently in a last-minute attempt completely to overthrow the previously-agreed basis for the repatriation scheme. The British Government very rightly would have nothing to do with such a scheme and has cancelled the sailing of the ships which already had on board Germans to be sent back to their own country. The German explanation of their quite customary conduct admits the desire to change the basis of exchange from that provided for by the international convention to a purely numerical one,—head-for-head,—but contended that the setback arose from the use of the whole incident for propaganda purposes, declaring "We must refuse to allow the exchange of prisoners and interned women and children to be made the subject of propaganda." That the facts concerning what was going on were published is not for one moment denied; that it was done quite properly, however, is quite clear.

The suggestion that in this matter Germany preferred doing good by stealth is open to a number of interpretations, not the least interesting of which is the suggestion that so humane an act on their part as the repatriation of prisoners seriously ill, would run so entirely against their already established reputation for the completest brutality that they feared the sarcasm which would inevitably result. If BRITISH EX-SERVICEMAN is correct in his allegation that, during the exchange, bombing of Germany by the R.A.F. was to cease, and apparently it did for three or four days, then the real reason for German duplicity is exposed, permitting of the deduction that the Nazi Government would go to any lengths to secure even a temporary cessation of the heavy blows which the R.A.F. has been dealing out. The whole incident, then, stands out merely as an attempt by the Germans to overreach the British by a humanitarian scheme which they were perfectly sure the British Government would "fall for." To a certain extent they were successful, but fortunately it is very limited.

The timing of these negotiations is important. Started some time ago, they were so arranged that the exchange was to take place coincidental with the opening of the German drive for Moscow. The temporary truce which the Germans were after would have provided them with an opportunity at least for a few days of concentrating the whole of their air force on the eastern front, and the attempt to secure an alteration in the basis of exchange was clearly designed to secure a prolongation of that truce. It was all very ingenious, too ingenious in fact, and directly the perfidy of the Nazis was revealed the British Government naturally refused to go any further in the matter, and returned the German prisoners to shore. It is to be hoped that nothing more will be done in this matter until the fate of the latest onslaught on the Russian lines has been brought to an end, and that nothing will be permitted to interfere with the hammering which it is hoped the R.A.F. will resume at the earliest possible moment. As far as possible future negotiations are concerned, the incident should serve to convince the British Government that any proposals emanating from Berlin need to be most closely scrutinized and dealt with on the assumption that German breach of faith is not a possibility, but always a distinct probability.

THE ATLANTIC BATTLE

Two interesting American statements indicate how the Battle of the Atlantic is progressing, and both of them are distinctly encouraging. Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., states that shipping losses for the last three months, ending in September, amounted to a monthly average of only 160,000 tons compared with an average of 472,000 for the previous quarter. That has been corroborated by a declaration by Mr. Harold Ickes, U. S. Secretary of the Interior to the effect that "Owing to greatly dimmished sinkings in the Atlantic, Britain believes it can, within a short period, release temporarily ten to fifteen American tankers, which now are carrying oil for Britain." There had been a transfer of between fifty and eighty tankers to Britain, but by reason of fewer sinkings and other benefits of the policies adopted by the United States, including the naval policy announced by the President, the return of some of these vessels to America had now been made possible. It follows that, with the assistance of the United States, Britain is holding her own in the Atlantic, and is very nearly in control of the situation.

That statements such as these give the lie direct to the fantastic claims of the German propaganda machine is obvious, but that particular German activity has long been proved to be incapable of the truth. Indeed if the Nazi claims were anywhere near correct, the British mercantile marine would long by now have disappeared, whereas Mr. Churchill, himself, has declared that there are every day no fewer than two thousand vessels on the high seas, and four hundred within easy reach of Great Britain. Admiral Stirling makes the point that Hitler well knows that to win the Battle of the Atlantic he must accelerate the destruction of shipping and so starve out Great Britain. To do that he must build more and more submarines. It was stated at the commencement of this maritime battle that he was throwing about two hundred submarines into the struggle. How many of those have been destroyed has not, in accordance with British policy, been revealed, but the inference is justified that the earlier success of the British Navy against U-boats has been maintained, and increased as a result of the assistance which the United States is giving in doing everything to ensure that cargoes for Britain shall reach their destination.

There can be no doubt that the American patrol of the Atlantic has proved a success and the German submarines are being forced ever further afield. What means for protecting shipping, apart from the convoy system,—and it has been stated that the United States possess other methods,—have not been disclosed, but figures which have been published concerning the damage done to shipping clearly indicate that they have been efficacious. It is possible that during the winter weather conditions will help to impede U-boat activities, and that Hitler will devote those months to the further building up of his submarine fleet. With the spring, then a renewed onslaught may be expected, but there is no reason to believe that Britain and the United States together will not ultimately be able to secure control of the situation as they did during the last war when eventually sinkings by submarines were reduced to a minimum. Be that as it may, announcements by Lord Woolton regarding the food situation in Britain are distinctly encouraging, and are clearly substantiated by the statements quoted above.

As to future developments in the Battle of the Atlantic, Admiral Stirling speaks of positions such as Dakar, the Azores, the Cape Verde Islands and the Canaries which Hitler can secure whenever he decides to invade Spain and Portugal, and force Vichy to give up its colonies. It does not seem that in these connections he will be able to effect anything in the nature of a sudden coup, and probabilities of Britain and the United States being able to forestall him are distinctly great. Their seizure by Germany would undoubtedly have a very profound effect upon the Battle of the Atlantic, and it is to be hoped that should those islands ever be menaced by Germany the democracies will act speedily and effectively in their own defence. It would indeed be something of a pity, if in order to secure their own positions Britain and the United States had to take hostile action against the possessions of countries at present neutral in this conflict, but the fact remains that, if those nations are to retain their freedom, it is essential that Naziism shall be beaten, and that no false sentiment should be allowed to obscure that very apparent truth.

They Cannot Answer

The Nazis are becoming increasingly worried by the monitoring service of the B.B.C. and the daily feature which is derived therefrom, "Listening Post." This five minute feature of the service follows immediately upon the talk which an expert gives after the news broadcasts, and is well worth listening to. Taking German broadcasts and statements made by Nazi leaders, "Listening Post" exposes the technique of Nazi propaganda, which was obviously never devised to meet such close examination. Nightly entirely contradictory statements made over different Axis wireless stations are picked up and pieced together, to reveal the complete lack of scruple of the Nazi broadcasters, and to expose the manner in which the facts—and often the pure inventions—relating to various subjects are twisted to suit what the Nazi propaganda ministry believes is the taste of the public to which they are directed. The Nazis have complained that this kind of thing is not fair. They have broadcast a moan that the B.B.C. devotes itself to trying to prove that the Nazi propaganda is all lies, while the Nazis themselves have too many other things to do to be able to reply effectively. The objection is itself a commentary upon the mentality of the objectors. In the first place five minutes of each news broadcast is not very much for the B.B.C. to set on one side to show up Nazi lies. They could spend a much longer time, since the lies are so frequent. But to the B.B.C. listeners the extra time might become a burden, since it is generally taken for granted that the Nazis do not tell the truth, anyway. In the second place, the organization which permits such obvious contradictions as "Listening Post" delights in quoting to go over the air in the supposition that what is directed to the women of the United States is no concern of the women of any other country, and what the Italians are supposed to enjoy hearing over the wireless must not be heard by anybody else, must be a strange one. In Nazi eyes it is permissible to tell one story to one person and a totally different version of the same story to the next. And if the persons concerned compare notes and realise that the stories—both of them—are falsehoods, then it is just too bad of those persons. This task of comparing notes is very ably done by the B.B.C. for those who have better things to do beside listening in to the many different broadcasts which emanate from the Reich. And the thanks of everybody is due to those who are responsible for this daily potted exposé of enemy falsehoods. The organization behind such a feature is, of course, enormous. All day long there is a staff of listeners checking broadcasts in thirty different languages. In the course of a day a million or more words are heard by these listeners, who summarize and sometimes take down verbatim what they think are points of importance. These summarizations and transcriptions are then subedited to about 60,000 words daily, and these digests are passed on to officials who again sift them and decide what use, if any, they can be put to. Out of the jumble of lies, half-truths and innuendo there are occasionally important facts picked out and gauged in their proper perspective. The listeners, in addition to be able to learn what the Nazis would like the world to believe about any situation, are able through comparing the numerous Nazi versions of the situation to obtain a pretty clear picture of what actually has happened. The service shows that there are few things more revealing than unintelligent lies.

ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

Oct. 8.—Good chrysanthemums appear to be rather scarce this year, especially those grown in pot for house decoration: excessive rainfall during the Summer has caused quite a lot of damage through waterlogging and it is possible that it has also encouraged the spread of leaf spot (*Septoria Chrysanthemi*). The fungus responsible for leaf spot first causes small brown spots to appear on the foliage and as the affected parts rapidly increase in size, many leaves die on the plants and give them a most unhealthy appearance. Bordeaux mixture—made by decomposing Sulphate of copper with lime—appears to be the best remedy, but we feel that it may help if greater care were to be taken at propagating time and only cuttings from healthy plants used. This fungus is becoming more serious annually. However, there are some good plants to be seen locally; we saw some lovely specimens today, the foliage being very healthy. The gardener was very busy training his chrysanthemums on to frames and disbudding at the same time. Disbudding is closely related to pruning, the aim in both cases being to remove parts of a plant that may be considered superfluous. In pruning, we remove stems, while in disbudding, only those buds that are not required, are removed. This action increases the size of the buds that remain and growers may expect more beautiful flowers from them. Most gardeners leave two buds at the ends of flowering stems at the present time and one of these will be removed later. The reason for this is that a hungry little insect often attacks chrysanthemum buds and if one is lost through the activities of this insect or through other causes, the display of bloom will not suffer. Speaking of pruning and disbudding reminds us that we have recently noticed several cases where climbing roses have been cut down to within three feet from ground level owing to loss of foliage through the ravages of caterpillars making the plants unsightly. If only old stems had been cut down, not much harm would have been done, but to cut away stems that have grown this year is to rob ourselves of flowers next Summer, for climbing roses produce flowers on wood developed the previous year. We do not agree with the cutting down of bush rose stems at this time of the year: this is often done, but we would rather leave them as they are until March and prune them at the proper time.—W.J.K.

Do not expect from a child any great amount of moral goodness. During early years every civilized man passes through that phase of character exhibited by the barbarous race from which he is descended.—*Herbert Spencer.*

BRITAIN SURVEYS FUTURE

London, Aug. 30.

On the eve of the war's second anniversary, great formations of bombers and fighters roar over southern England just as they did in the Battle of Britain a year ago, writes Mr. Peter Lyne, staff correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor." But what an indescribable difference it makes to life in Britain that today they're British planes going toward Germany instead of Nazi planes attacking Britain.

Nevertheless the British people are reflecting on the ordeal they have already suffered.

They are encouraged to do so all the time by their war leaders, because for most of the country the recent lull in Nazi air attacks has made the horrors of bombing seem remote and dreamlike.

The wail of sirens, the fearful scream and crash of high explosives, the glare and crackle of incendiaries, the flash and mighty crack of the guns had all become part of people's lives. But they have learned this summer how easily ugly memories fade. And lest complacency and unpreparedness gain a hold, they have been kept rehearsing for a second act.

Warnings are repeated almost daily that a return of heavy Blitzes must be expected. Meanwhile firefighters, firewatchers, the A.R.P. services, Home Guard, Ambulance, and Relief Workers, and every section of the community down to the youngest Boy Scout and the humblest housewife, enlist memory and imagination to keep them on the alert and ready to profit from past experiences.

The first nine months of the war can be written off as a sad chapter of waiting and ill-directed, half-hearted preparation. What sort of memories and conclusions stand out from the subsequent 15 months?

There shines out from the black days of France's fall and the retreat from Dunkirk, Britain's supreme confidence based on refusal to conceive of defeat. Arguing more logically, some objective observers here could not share this confidence. But how differently the outside world has come to regard Britain's prospects today.

Of the Battle of Britain, which began Aug. 8 last year, one especially remembers the brilliant blue skies and a permanent crick in the neck from watching those specks of planes up above, on whose manœuvres depended the freedom of so much of the world. They made such pretty patterns with their vapour trails and it all seemed so incomprehensible.

Worst is Over

It was easier to understand the issues when the bombs rained down on London. How strange it seems now to think of these attacks night and day, with the night's "all clear" sounding just before dawn and the warning going again on our way to work. It was bombs and guns at bedtime, in the train, at the office, at lunch, tea, and home again to more bombs and guns. You couldn't even be sure of taking a bath in peace. No wonder we soon gave up the well-intentioned plan of going to shelter whenever the sirens sounded.

Undoubtedly reminders are necessary to check unpreparedness and easy over-confidence. But whatever their leaders may warn, most people in Britain today feel they have endured the worst.

They remember that in one of the last big night raids on this country, 33 Nazi planes were destroyed. Progress in defence has gone steadily ahead. Shelter facilities have been incomparably improved. The Luftwaffe has suffered severely in Russia. If day raiding proved too costly for the enemy last year, it is argued here, it will be far more so today.

Then, why, it may be suggested, can the Germans be expected to crack under British air attack if the British themselves are so confident of being able to hold out. The man-in-the-street here would give you several reasons. The Germans, he believes, are not in good shape. He thinks they have bad consciences and have been softened by feeding on easy victories. He looks to a time not far off when Britain's air strength, with American co-operation, will be as superior in numbers as it has been in quality.

The prospect of renewed intensive air attacks on this country is indeed a dread one for the British. But they survived before even when they couldn't hit back hard.

Meanwhile, the nights draw in and we face the problems of the blackout again—big problems like transport, middling problems like earlier closing of movies, and little problems like putting the cat out last thing. You know how provoking cats can be slowly and deliberately coming in or going out of a door. In the blackout you can't keep the inside light on when you open the door because it would show outside.

WAR FUND BAROMETER

The Voluntary War Contribution Fund has been open for 461 days and there have been 9,496 contributors. The War Savings Association has been open for 467 days and there have been 1,652 contributors. The latest totals follow:—

Fund	Amount Ch. $	Contributed £ Sterling
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IN PARENTHESIS

Scruples

"C'MON, honey, give me a kiss."
"No, I've got scruples."
"That's okay. I've had 'em twice."

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Serial Love

"I KNOW, Jim," I heartily agreed. "I feel the same way you do; and I'd love you no matter what kind of a job you had. In fact, if all the men in the world were lined up for me to choose from, I'd still pick you—honest I would."

His big brown eyes grew suddenly warm. He reached out and pulled me to him, his strong arms crushing me against his young body, his lips buried in my hair.

"Aw, [*Please turn to page 13*].
—*From "Life Story."*

Aw, we don't want to.

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Raing Story

Here's a New Version of "the bride didn't show up so I didn't write anything about the wedding" story. For two weeks the "Ogden (Utah) Standard-Examiner" built up a celebration (Franklin Day) in a nearby town and then on the day of days, the correspondent couldn't be found. The next day, after the state editor had worn himself out phoning around trying to get a story, came this letter:

"Sorry I didn't telephone you about the celebration but a drizzling rain was about all there was left to write about and I didn't think it worth the call. The rodeo wasn't up to much and even the concessions lost money."

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Double Strength

A LADY we know has a dog of mixed origin of whom she is very fond. The best gossip is that he's part Kerry blue and part spaniel, if it's anybody's business. The lady has a maid who is also fond of the dog, as she learned the other day when the girl returned with the pet from an airing. On the way she had stopped in at the grocer's for some purchases and there, it appeared, bitter words had been passed. "It's that new clerk down there," the maid reported. "He's fresh. He took one look at Nicky and he say. 'That dog, he's a mongrel. He don't come from no thoroughbred stock.' I told him, though. 'You think you're so smart,' I say. 'That dog comes from two thoroughbred stocks. That's how good he is'."—"New Yorker."

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Chinese Wisdom

NORMAN SOONG in the *China Fortnightly:*

An American went to decorate his father's grave with flowers, noticed a Chinese carefully arranging a tray of edibles on a nearby tombstone, walked over and asked: "What's the idea of putting all that food there? Do you really expect the man to get up and eat it?" The Chinese looked around, pointed to the flowers the American had set down and grinned: "Honorable ancestor has posthumous sense of smell?" Of course it's all in your point of view, like the story about the foreigner who said that the one thing in which Chinese were not civilized was the business of everyone eating out of the same dish. His Chinese host explained: "You can't have everything, you know. We prefer using chopsticks to doing our butchering at the table." . . . Another thing is that those Chinese who would like to go west at the dinner table are discouraged by headlines like "Carving Knife Slayer." You never heard of a chopstick murder.

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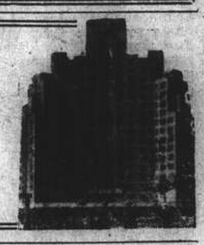

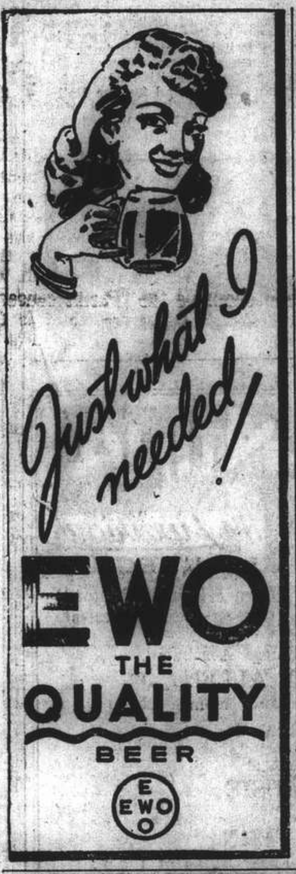

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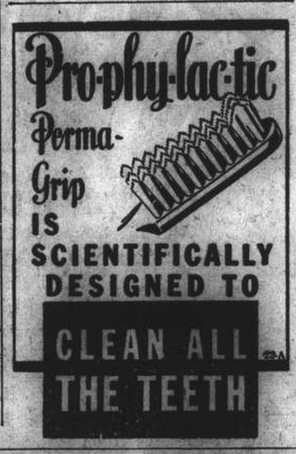

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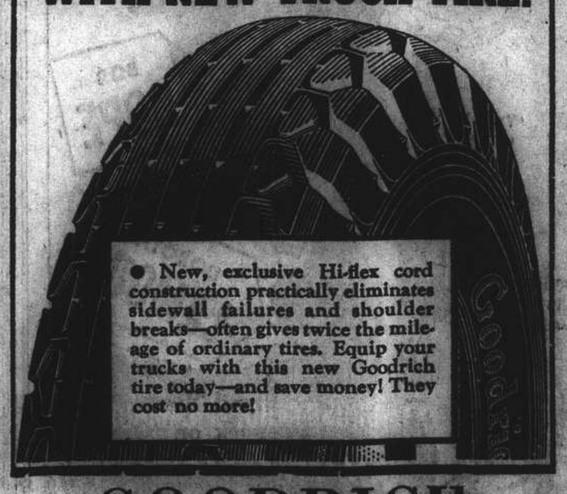

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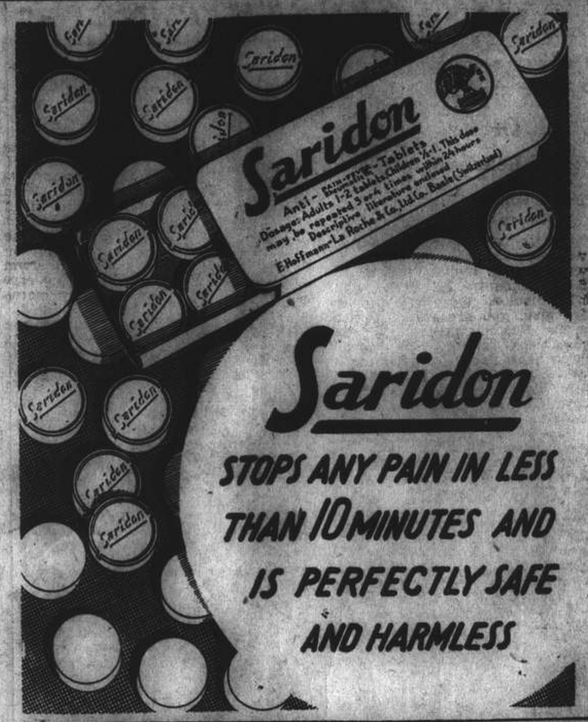

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THE SPORTS PAGE

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The Leading "C" Class Yacht of the Year

A series of highly creditable performances during the season has made Eileen (seen above) the year's outstanding "C" Class yacht. Last Sunday, when sailed by J. Berents, she captured another first place, together with a third, in the 6th Minghong series off Admiral Jellicoe, these placements keeping her well in the running for the championship trophy.

Men's Hockey Attracts 12 Teams This Season; Games to Be on Friendly Basis Again

TWELVE men teams will be appearing on the hockey fields this winter, according to the list of entries approved by the Annual General Meeting of the Shanghai Hockey Association, held yesterday at the Shanghai Cricket Club. At this meeting a discussion also arose on the feasibility of reviving the annual league, but it was finally decided that the current unsettled situation was not condusive to such a form of competition. It was the unanimous decision of those present to continue with the friendly fixtures instituted two seasons ago.

The following will be participating in the S.H.A. matches:—

Shanghai Hockey Club(two teams), Shanghai United Hockey Club (three teams), Police Recreation Club (two teams), Jewish Recreation Club (two teams), Junior Athletic Club, Khalsa Sporting Association, Shanghai Municipal Gaol.

Three Teams Less

This year's entries show a decrease of three elevens in comparison with last season's members. Owing to their heavy loss of players, the Shanghai Hockey Club—who have never fielded less than three teams for several years—have now been forced to drop their third side. The British Navy and the Clube Lusitano are the other two of last year's teams who will be unable to scrape together a side during the coming season.

As it is, a round number of a dozen teams will solve the ground problem very satisfactorily this season. In previous years it was found necessary to play two fixtures on one ground in order to accommodate the large number of aggregations. With there being three grounds available at the Race Course and now 12 teams, it will now be possible to play three matches on each day of the week-end without any "doubling-up" of fixtures.

The meeting yesterday was presided over by Mr. J. P. Jones, the outgoing President, and was fully representative of the clubs intending to take part in the friendly games. A new council was elected with the following serving for the year 1941-42:

President:—H. A. Crickmer.
Vice-Presidents:—K. M. Pate and L. H. Lamb.
Honorary Secretary:—W. J. Silvey.
Honorary Treasurer:—S. J. Moalem.
Other Members of the Council:—W. H. Widdowson, I. H. Bradford, H. Bojesen, and one more member to be co-opted by the Council.

Season Starting Oct. 18

According to the arrangements mapped out yesterday at the meeting, the hockey season will be swinging into action on Saturday, October 18, that is, as soon as the grounds at the Race Course are thrown open to play. An interval of two weeks will then be given for practice, after which the official Association friendly fixtures will be coming into effect on Saturday, November 1. These plans will provide for four and a half months of hockey before the season winds up the middle of next March.

In most part, last year's method of arranging fixtures will be employed again, that is, the Honorary Secretary will draw up a list of matches, pitting teams of strength against each other. A further suggestion was put forward yesterday, and approved, that matches should be arranged between the first elevens of various club from time to time.

Divided Strength Again

This suggestion was made in view of the fact that numerically strong clubs such as the Shanghai Hockey Club, Shanghai United Hockey Club, Police Recreation Club and the Jewish Recreation Club will be splitting their strength in the majority of their games so to provide more even competition for the other teams in the friendly series.

Augmenting these matches will probably be some special encounters during the New Year holidays. There was also much discussion on the question of staging International games; the idea was adopted by the meeting and will be left to the incoming committee for a final approval. There is every likelihood that the scheme will be carried out on a knock-out basis and will consist of challenge matches.

No decision was reached on the subscription question yesterday as it was still unknown as what the Race Course ground fees would be this year. There is sure to be an increase, but it is anticipated that the increase will not be a very large one.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Dah Chong; 2, Nagasaki.
Also ran:—Pearl's Fancy, Boxing Fan, Our Joy, Sam Holer.
4 lengths.—Time, 18.92.
Win, $28.20. Forecast 5-8 Div. $67.70
Place, 1st $11.40; 2nd $7.10.

2—300 yd. flat.—1, Skedaddle; 2, Hei Jen Ya Klag.
Also ran:—Maskee Lose, Mighty Comrade, Coy Nancy, Se You Kee
2½ lengths.—Time, 18.87.
Win, $33.60. Forecast 1-5 Div. $226.90
Place, 1st $10.80; 2nd $20.
Double Event 1/2 5-1 Div. $76.70.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Rusty Birch; 2, Swanky Lane.
Also ran:—Jorrock's Alone, Coy Nero, Fresh Brew, Irish Lover
2 lengths.—Time, 26.52.
Win, $16.40. Forecast 6-5 Div. $47.40
Place, 1st $10.90; 2nd $13.10.
Double Event 2/3 1-6 Div. $76.

4—440 yd. flat.—1, Campus Flirt; 2, Reno Bride.
Also ran:—Don Luiz, First Again, Cordon Violet, Charger Brave.
4 lengths.—Time, 26.26.
Win, $30.90. Forecast 6-1 Div. $130.80.
Place, 1st $11; 2nd $9.90.
Double Event 3/4 6-6 Div. $30.10.

5—500 yd. flat.—Race Void.
Double Event 4/5 6-1 $14.40, 6-2 $7.30, 6-3 $17.90, 6-4 $8.70, 6-5 $7.90, 6-6 $10.30.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, MacQueen; 2, Stolen Quibble.
Also ran:—Double Six, Grand Slam, Belle O'Sicawei, Tamerlane.
A neck.—Time, 30.49.
Win, $28.80. Forecast 3-2 Div. $182.60.
Place, 1st $14.70; 2nd $14.80.
Double Event 5/6 Div. $.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Chez Maurice; 2, Cordon Blanc.
Also ran:—Don't Fret, Cordon Vert, Black Shadow, Grey Vole.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.86.
Win, $44.70. Forecast 2-3 Div. $179.30.
Place, 1st $17.30; 2, $13.80.
Double Event 6/7 3-2 Div. $70.80.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, True Patience; 2, Fair Evening.
Also ran:—Yeoman Craft, First Award, Crafty Virginia, Sea Sand.
1 length.—Time, 29.33.
Win, $14.70. Forecast 6-5 Div. $28.70.
Place, 1st $8.80; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 7/8 2-6 Div. $66.70.

Japanese Girl Shatters Backstroke Record

Hiroshima, Sept. 29.

Miss Shizuko Kanamori, student of the Seika Girls' High School at Kure, Hiroshima Prefecture, established a new Japan women's swimming record for the 50-meter backstroke event by negotiating the distance in 38 seconds.—Domei.

Abe Simon Gains Unpopular Draw Fighting Thompson

Los Angeles, Oct. 8.

The long awaited western debut of the New York heavyweight, Abe Simon, who stood up so well against Joe Louis, resulted in an unpopular draw decision with Turkey Thompson, California champion, in their ten-round main event at Gilmore Stadium Monday night.

Referee Benny Wattman stunned the outdoor crowd of 9,000 and the entire press row with his decision.

He was escorted to the dressing rooms by police after a near riot developed at the ringside as aroused California fans charged that he robbed their favourite of victory.

Simon came out of bewilderment in the late rounds to outbox his rival, but he was not effective enough to win the decision of the fans.—United Press.

Vinson Seeks More Vessels for Defence

Washington, Oct. 8.

Representative Carl Vinson, Democrat of Georgia and Chairman of the House Naval Affairs Committee, yesterday introduced a bill authorizing the construction and acquisition of 400 vessels by the Navy suitable for local defence purposes—namely, patrol vessels and mine-sweepers.—United Press.

Eritrea to Form Part of E. African Command

London, Oct. 8.

The War Secretary, Capt. Margesson, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that it was intended that Eritrea should form part of the new East African Command. He recalled that the East African Command was created in order to relieve the Middle East from administrative work to free it for operational activities in more important theatres of war.

Transfer of Eritrea from the Middle East Command would take place by arrangement between the two commands at a suitable date. There was no question of any part of the Italian civil or military administration continuing to exercise authority.—Reuter.

Piston Horiguchi Gains T.K.O. Triumph

Tokyo, Oct. 8.

Tsuneo "Piston" Horiguchi, leading featherweight of the Orient, last night scored a technical knockout over "Young" Wakabara, in the seventh round of the 10-round main event at the Hibiya Concert Hall. Wakabara was no match for the veteran Horiguchi who pounded his opponent almost at will.—Domei.

Rue de la Paix Wins Cambridgeshire

Newmarket, Oct. 8.

Rue de la Paix (Carey up) surprisingly won the Cambridgeshire, which forms the first leg of the popular Autumn double.

Poise, who had been heavily backed, was a disappointment and not in the first ten.—Reuter.

Stimson Urges "Dual Citizens" Be Abolished

Washington, Oct. 8.

Col. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, yesterday urged that action be taken to break the ties now existing between American citizens of Japanese ancestry and Japan.

In a letter to Speaker Sam Rayburn of the House, Col. Stimson declared that "anything that can be done to break the Consular, Governmental and traditional ancestral ties between Americans of Japanese ancestry and Japan will assist not only our country but also the people who are dual citizens."

Question of Conscription

Representative Rayburn then referred to the House Immigration committee the War Secretary's sponsored bill designed to tighten restriction on anyone, possessing dual citizenship for the purpose of strengthening anti-espionage regulations.

Secretary Stimson said that American-born Japanese are liable to the Japanese conscription law while Americans of Japanese, Italian and German ancestry, many of whom are being included in the United States Army through the draft.—United Press.

U.S. Makes Huge Plane Shipments To Britain

Washington, Oct. 8.

United States manufacturers have shipped to British air forces throughout the world more than US$284,000,000 worth of aeroplanes, engines and other air equipment during the first seven months of this year, the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce reported yesterday.

This represented nearly twice as many combat planes as the British lost during all of 1940, said the announcement. For every trainer plane sent to Britain, three combat planes have been delivered; these include shipments to the British Isles, Africa, Singapore, China and for the Netherlands account at the request of the British Government, it was stated.—United Press.

Dodgers Draw Huge Individual Shares Of Any Club

New York, Oct. 8.

The Brooklyn Dodgers lost the World Series to the New York Yankees but they will draw the largest individual shares of any losing club in history.

The Dodgers voted 26 ¼ shares and US$6,000 in gifts as compared with 32 ½ shares and US$6,000 in presents handed out by the Yankees. After the split each Dodger drew US$4,808, while the Yanks collected US$5,917.31 each, the sixth largest purse for the winners.

Full shares were voted by the Dodgers to 19 regulars, manager Leo Durocher, secretary Kohn McDonald and coaches Chuck Dressen and Red Corriden.

Babe Phelps, Angelo Giuliani, Paul Waner and Alex Kampouris, all Dodger regulars at one time or another this year, were ignored entirely.—United Press.

The Sports Forum

Paul Lojnikoff's Manager Accepts Challenge

The Sports Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In reply to a letter by Mike Korren appearing on the sports page of your paper, I can only say that if the challenger is so sure of "licking" such a "green demonstrator of the science of pugilism" as Paul Lojnikoff then perhaps he will agree to fight on a winner-take-all basis. So, here is the chance for you, Mr. Korren, to get the Lightweight Crown and both purses.

Nick Nicolaeff.

Shanghai, October 8.

Golf Starting Times

Shanghai Golf Club

Friday

8.16 Wienberg, Brown/Farnham, Grubb
8.28 Wall, MacDonald/Peacock, Alex.
8.36 Conrady, Whiteaker/Bell, Smith
8.48 President/Isherwood, Wilkinson
8.56 Vice-President/Captain
10.08 Martin, Stilliard
10.12 Mrs. Wentworth, Miss Ross

14,000 Guineas Paid For Mare

London, Oct. 8.

The remarkable war-time price of 14,000 guineas was paid for the 11-year-old mare Carpet Slipper by the Brownstown Stud of Ireland when the important Newmarket bloodstock sales opened yesterday.

The record price for a brood mare in Britain is 17,000 guineas by Mr. Edward Esmond for Strait Lace in 1925.—Reuter.

Lawn Bowls Teams

Scotland *v.* The Rest

(Tomorrow, 3 p.m.)

Scotland:—W. A. Turnbull (skip), A. S. Russell, A. Y. Tait, W. C. Walker; A. Braid (skip), R. Fyfe, J. Gray, E. McLennan; A. M. McGregor (skip), D. A. McFarlane, R. R. Russell, G. Sinclair; D. B. Scrimgeour (skip), J. Stevenson, J. A. Stoddart, J. Henry; C. Richards (skip), W. Thomson, D. MacDonald, A. M. Parker. Reserves:—A. E. Colterjohn, N. J. Marr, M. Watson.

The Rest:—W. J. Monk (skip), A. T. Barrett, J. Case, T. G. Baillie; T. J. Goodman (skip), E. Jacobs, H. S. Bell, H. S. Bartley; E. R. Harmer (skip), S. G. Mills, E. E. Wallwork, S. C. Radford; W. J. Ward (skip), F. S. Ward, T. Sayle, A. E. Howkins; E. Owen (skip), J. J. Evans, J. Frost, L. A. Whittaker. Reserves:—C. A. Pratt, S. W. Wolfe, F. J. Drakeford, T. M. Yates, G. B. Fryer, H. N. Davies.

Poise Now Favourite For Cambridgeshire

London, Oct. 8.

Yesterday's call-over for the Cambridgeshire to be run at Newmarket today saw Poise become the favourite at 8-1, Diadoque, the previous favourite remaining firm at 9-1. Samanga was well backed, closing with 19-2 offered after 10-1 had been freely taken. Plenty of money for outsiders was suggested by bets at 33-1 for Chanda, this closing closed at 25-1 offered. Broquart was backed to win a good sum at 66-1, closing with 33-1 offered.—Reuter.

"The Jungle Book," based on the noted work by Rudyard Kipling, is under the direction of Zoltan Korda.

Nazi Submarines Taking Smaller Toll in Atlantic

New York, Oct. 8.

Tension in the Battle of the Atlantic seems to be somewhat lightened. Shipping losses for the three months period ending in September gave a monthly average of only 160,000 tons in sinkings compared to the 472,000 tons of sinkings which was the average for the preceding three months period.

Chancellor Adolf Hiter well knows that to win the Battle of the Atlantic he must accelerate destruction of shipping and starve out England. He must turn out more submarines and operate them on the sea lanes

American Patrol Helps

The American patrol of the Atlantic has helped reduce losses sustained by British shipping, and Chancellor Hitler will endeavour to operate submarines and raiders outside the areas where the patrol is operating.

There are positions available to Herr Hitler at Dakar, in the Azores, the Cape Verde Islands and the Canaries which he can take whenever he decides to invade Spain and Portugal and force Vichy to give up her colonies, provided that Britain and the United States do not occupy these positions first.

If they are taken by Germany, the positions will be used as bases from which to operate larger submarines while utilizing smaller submarines, as is customary, in the neighbourhood of Ireland where shipping for British ports can be intercepted.—United Press.

SHANGHAI RACE COURSE

TO-MORROW
at 11 a.m.

FIRST DAY—9th EXTRA RACE MEETING

A PROGRAMME OF THIRTEEN FLAT RACES

TIFFIN INTERVAL AFTER 3rd RACE

From this day's Racing the Club will forward a donation to British War Funds.

CASH SWEEP TICKETS

All through chances for Sweeps on Seven Races at $20 each.
Special Sweep on the Champions, Race No. 9, 4th Day, Autumn Race Meeting, November 12, 1941, $10 each Ticket of Eleven (11) Sections. Single Sections $1 each.
10% OF THE GROSS SWEEP WILL BE DONATED TO CHARITY.
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1941, at 5.15 p.m.
OPENING CONCERT
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under leadership of Maestro MARIO PACI
Dedicated exclusively to works of
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Overture "Carnival"; Excepts from String Quartet Op. 96: Slavonic Dances;
Symphony "From The New World."
Songs with Orchestra Accompaniment
Vocalist: Mme SONIA KUCEJOVA, Soprano.

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Valid for all the 24 Sunday Concerts of the Season from October 12, 1941 to May 31, 1942, inclusive, the Special Easter-Sunday Concert, and irrespective of any possible future increase of above admission prices.
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Booking and sale of Season-Cards only until Wednesday, October 8. From Thursday, October 9, booking and sale of single concert tickets also.

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1 HINDHEAD	14 NORTH WOOD
2 CLUNIEHOUSE	14 BAG SHOT
3 CLUNIEHILL	10 SILVER FOX
3 WHITE NIGHT	17 VIM
16 V FOR VICTORY	25 COLUMBUS
16 MAGIC CIRCLE	14 MR. BUBBINS
16 WHITE PARADE	10 FLYING LIGHT
16 WHITE WILLIE	20 NIGHT EXPRESS

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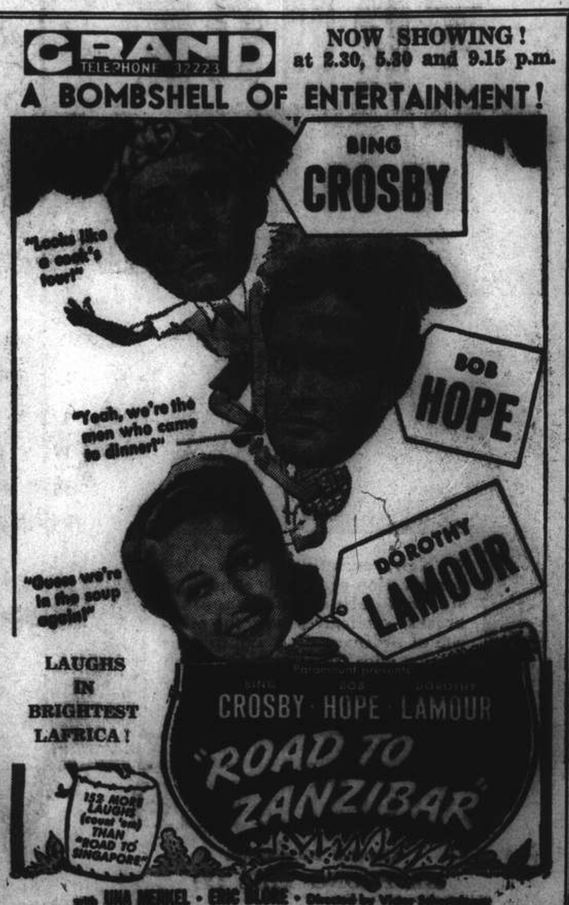

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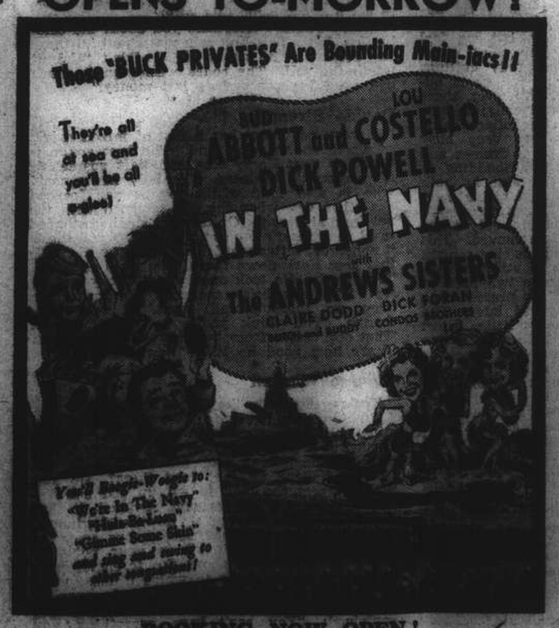
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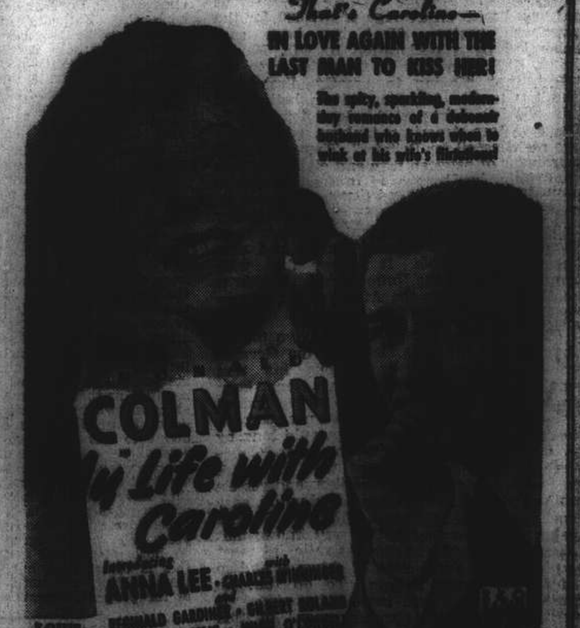

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CANIDROME RESULTS

Wednesday, October 8, 1941.

Race	Placed-Dogs		$5.00 Win F'cast Pool	Course D/Events $2
1	5	6	67.70	
2	1	6	226.90	76.70
3	6	5	47.40	76.00
4	6	1	130.80	30.10
5	Race	Void	—	6-1 $14.40; 6-4 $ 8.70; 6-2 $ 7.30; 6-5 $ 7.90; 6-3 $17.90; 6-6 $10.30
6	3	2	182.60	
7	2	3	179.30	70.80
8	6	5	28.70	66.70

Last Night's Highest Dividends:—

$5 Win Forecast Race No. 2 dog No. 1-6 Div. $226.90.

$2 Course Double Events Races 1/2 dog No. 5-1 Div. $76.70.

Voluntary War Contribution Fund Subscriptions

SUBSCRIPTIONS received by the Voluntary War Contribution Fund since the last list, amount to £748-1-6 in the sterling account. The dollar account has been further increased by the receipt of $128,307.25 since the last list. The balance carried forward in the sterling account now amounts to £1,734-17-2 while the dollar account balance amounts to $304,688.47.

All contributions should be sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation or to the Chartered Bank for account of the Voluntary War Contribution Fund. The latest list of subscriptions have been received up to and including October 7 follows:—

DOLLAR ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward ..	$176,381.22
Subscriptions received since last list	$128,307.25
Balance carried forward..	$304,688.47

STERLING ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward ..	£ 986.15. 8
Subscriptions received since last list	£ 748. 1. 6
Balance carried forward ..	£1,734.17. 2

STERLING

W. V. K. Chadwick	£ 2
Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bird	2
Royal Naval Reserve	5
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Whipps	2
British Egg Packing & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.	100
Peking Contributions	60
October 4th-A tribute from Mrs. E. Milne	25
Hankow Contributions	20
Mr. and Mrs. W. Mellor	5
Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clark	20
Chungking Remittance: Ack. in Press 9/9/41	
W. W. Ritchie Hk.100	6
Chungking Remittance	12
R. K. and Mrs. J. McV. Burns	2
Miss J. Drewett	5
Peking Remittance	159
Canton Remittance	113
John Andrew 1	B. J. Green 3
E. L. G. Arnold 5	Anonymous 8
G. F. Dumbar on 2	J. F. McLennan 6
F. C. Duval 1	Anonymous 3
Capt. R. Cordy 5	R. T. W. Howell 1
H. C. 2	Annab 10
A. H. H. 4	H. F. N. 1
S. Isherwood 2	J. M. Cuthbert 3
G. H. Outhwaite 4	Anonymous 15
B. D. M. 2	W. C. Cassels 15
F. R. Ray 2	L. C. Blanks 5
T. P. 3	R. V. Thomas 10
M. Voigt 7	H. N. S. 20
J. Sakin 20	D. M. 10
A. Sakin 10	W. H. King 6
J. W. Tinson 5	G. W. Clark 3
I. R. Razon 5	B. K. Wallace 6
Mrs. E. Milne 25	T. J. Lindsay 7
Anonymous 1	

CHINESE DOLLARS

Miss P. M. Bourne	$125
Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Brown	125
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brown	500
A. H. Chamberlain	100
D. J. Aiers and K. R. Aiers	20
N.W.B. and D.M.C.	250
Mr. and Mrs. P. Comery	100
Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Fookes	100
Miss S. M. D. Fredericks	300
Mrs. D. J. L. Cumming	100
W. A. B. Gardener	400
Mrs. M. E. Hill	50
Miss E. M. Hinder	200
Miss D. Hodgson	200
Mrs. E. M. Hoffman	10
Marjorie & John Huxley	10
Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hargraves	50
Miss D. P. Latimer	50
N. Lazarus & Co.	50
D. A. Macfarlane	100
Mr. and Mrs. Iver Mackay	100
R. Manly-Allatt	10
Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Mulvey	50
Mr. and Mrs. I. C. M. Pemberton	350
Mrs. A. M. Piquet	100
Miss Y. Pollock	150
Joan and Virginia	50
Mrs. F. Sapphere	10
E. A. Hurlstone-Piper	100
Dr. and Mrs. F. T. Ranson	1,000
E. Samson and/or Mrs. L. M. Samson	2,000
Paulsen and Bayes-Davy	150
Miss F. M. Wilson	20
Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Woodhead	300
G. R. G. Worcester	300
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wood	100
Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wilkinson	50
Mr. and Mrs. J. Weaver	50
Sales of Bon Appetit, from Lady L. G. Maze	45
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown	932
Proceeds Sale of Sweeps in the Cathay Bar	35
Jas. A. Gray & Co.	1,000
Mr. and Mrs. R. D. K. Silby	200
Miss E. Patrick	30
A. F. T. Holland	50
Miss L. Remedios	5
V. A. H. Gunther	20
Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Boyd	100
H. G. and O. M. Biggs	100
Mr. and Mrs. I. Benjamin	10
Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Bourne	1,000
Mr. and Mrs. J. Henderson	20
Miss E. F. Shekury	50
J. R. Mothersill	500
T. G. S. Alexander	500
Shanghai Club Members Voluntary Tax	1,054
Special Evening at Fred Stern's Elite Bar "and Grill" 175 Medhurst Road	1,166
In memory of K. E. Newman, from Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McMichael	20
Ian, Valerie and Yvonne	30
Hankow Contribution	6,925
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gwynne	100
Four Non-British Jews	80
Miss A. Manning	120
Miss M. Varndell	20
15th Contribution from some members of the Staff of The Asiatic Petroleum Co. (N.C.) Ltd.	11,140
Mrs. Vera McBain	500
Miss H. M. Sennett	10
Directors and Staff of Arnhold Trading Co. Ltd. Shanghai—September Contribution	3,517
H.D.M.—R. on	20
In memory of Lava Benjamin—from Friends	15
A.J., J.J., and S. E. Edgar	500
Miss Edith Holmes	50
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGregor	30
Mrs. Janet Broderick	20
Miss Isabella B. Scott	30
Miss G. W. Scott	25
Miss Kathleen Fenton	250
E. and J. Mackenzie	5
Arthur Lingard	150
Entente Cordiale	20
Miss W. M. Penfold	20
J. R. Jones and H. A. Reeks—8th Payment	3,000
Mr. and Mrs. E. Tate	10
Members of Staff of Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co. Ltd.	200
In memory of S. M. Hayes—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Orchin	30
E. W. Turnbull—Car Lift	25
Hugh Bayne's Party	120
Mackenzie & Co. Ltd.	20,000
Miss A. S. M. Alexander	110
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. A.	40
Miss E. M. Blake	100
Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Brockett	50
Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Collaco	25
Leonard Corner	60
Miss E. M. da Costa	5
Miss J. R. Darroch	120
Miss M. G. Darroch	100
Master R. Davison	10
Miss M. C. Dunstan	40
Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Featherstonhaugh	30
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fisher	250
Miss G. A. Fuller	20
Miss Cecilia Haas	10
Miss F. I. Harris	120
Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Harrop	40
Mrs. P. F. Headington	20
Mrs. E. M. Hicks	30
Mr. and Mrs. A. Hillaly	200
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. A. Hutchison	150
Miss M. Johnstone	60
Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Jones	20
Miss F. E. Kelly	20
Miss S. S. Kelsey	10
L. Chadwick-Kew	20
Miss M. A. Leathers	15
Fortitudine & Prudentia	100
Mrs. L. Mansfield	10
Rev. P. C. Matthews	200
Mr. and Mrs. F. McLennan	75
Mrs. F. M. C. McLorn	20
Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McPherson	20
Model Dairy Farm	25
Miss G. D. S. Parker	50
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Parsons	50
G. G. and E. Patterson	30
Mrs. May Pecaric	25
Miss J. A. Penfold	25
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Pilcher	25
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Porter	1,000
Miss G. Santler	10
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. S.	30
Mr. and Mrs. A. de C. Sowerby	50
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Thomas	25
Mrs. A. E. Trueman	50
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Turnbull	100
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Walker	75
Mr. and Mrs. T. Walmsley	50
Ethel and Frank Ward	100
Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright	25
Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Williams	100
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. P. Dewing	150

(To be continued tomorrow)

Welcome Extended To Mr. R. Egal

Mr. R. Egal, General de Gaulle's representative for China, who arrived in Shanghai from Hongkong on Tuesday after several months imprisonment in Indo-China by order of the Vichy Government is being extended a warm welcome by local Allied organizations, it was learned yesterday.

Mr. Egal, it will be recalled, was arrested several months ago by an order of the Vichy Government and taken to Indo-China for trial. He was later released and was allowed to proceed to Singapore from where he left for Hongkong recently. He arrived from the Colony in Shanghai on Tuesday.

The following statement was issued through the Free French News Agency yesterday:—

Free French Statement

"Mr. Roderick Egal, General de Gaulle's representative for occupied China, arrived in Shanghai yesterday from Singapore after having spent five months in a Saigon jail following his arbitrary arrest by a party of Vichy sailors on April 5 last.

"It was only through the intervention of his British and Free French friends that Mr. Egal's release was finally secured.

"Mr. Egal, the Vichy authorities claim, has been deprived of his French nationality.

"Even before Mr. Egal had landed in Shanghai, a decree had been taken by the Vichy Consul General here banning him from the French Concession. This last measure need hardly be commented on either from the moral or the legal view-points. It will be recalled that during the period between the beginning of the war and the collapse in France no steps whatever were taken by the Concession authorities to expel the Germans or to prevent them from conducting their business on French controlled territory. The explanation given for this lack of action was that the legal status of Shanghai made any other attitude impossible."

600 Workers on Strike In Foreign Areas Here

The labour situation was slightly worse yesterday, the number of strikers increasing to approximately 600 after the walk-out of 149 employees of the Arts and Crafts Furniture Factory at 150 Yenping Road. The workers struck at 10 a.m. on Tuesday after presenting the management with demands for an increase in wages and rice allowance. They were still out yesterday.

On the other hand, several minor disputes have been settled in the last two days. The chauffeurs of the three Chinese garages resumed on Tuesday evening after their employers had promised to review the conditions. The men struck in protest against the proposed dismissal of some drivers and the managements' some drivers and the managements' decision to take some vehicles off their run because of gasoline shortage.

About 100 regular employees of Watson's Mineral Water Co., who resumed on Tuesday morning, went on strike again yesterday after they had been intimidated by the casual employees. Two branches, at 613 Avenue Haig and 343 Kiaochow Road, are involved.

The tailors of Foh Shing Tailor Shop in Szechuen Road resumed unconditionally yesterday morning. They had been on strike since September 27. The employees of Dah Pang Weaving Mill also returned to their work unconditionally.

Some 120 employees of Burros Artificial Flower Co., at 530 Tiendong Road, have been dismissed by the management, it was learned yesterday. The factory may reopen later. It may be recalled that the concern was hit by a strike about four months ago.

Still on strike yesterday were the employees of three laundry establishments, the workers of Wei Dah Cotton Weaving Mill, and about 110 printers. These printers are the employees of seven establishments in the Settlement.

Convoy of U.S. Ship To Manila Doubted

Some doubt over the authenticity of a report to the effect that an American President Lines' vessel was conducted by United States war vessels from Honolulu to Manila, was expressed by Mr. P. H. Bordwell, Assistant Vice-President of the American President Lines yesterday.

"I can't imagine such a thing taking place," Mr. Bordwell said. The American President Lines official added, however, that it was war time and anything could happen. "We have not been advised on such a move," he declared.

According to the report, the American vessel was conducted from Honolulu to Manila by United States war vessels comprised of an armed tanker, which had on board some mosquito E-Boats, and a cruiser. Blackout was also reported to have been maintained on the liner during the trip.

Barriers on N. Kiangse Road Now Open

It was announced yesterday that the Japanese authorities had opened the gates of barriers at the intersection of Haining and North Kiangse Roads, the scene of the last attack on a Japanese sentry, and at the corner of Range and North Kiangse Roads.

The gate at the intersection of Haining and North Kiangse Roads will be opened from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily and only vehicles will be allowed to pass. The other gate, open for the same period, will be for pedestrians.

It was noticed yesterday that sentries of the Japanese Naval Landing Party had been placed at various street corners in Hongkew. This, it is believed, is one of the measures undertaken by the Japanese authorities against terrorist activities in their areas.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

S.F.B. Members Decorated

The Central Division of the Shanghai Fire Brigade paraded yesterday morning when twelve members of the force were awarded Municipal Long Service Medals. The presentation of medals was made by Mr. W. Charters, retiring Deputy Chief of the Shanghai Fire Brigade. A reception to Mr. Charters was later given by his colleagues at the S.F.B. Club.

One Dead, Three Hurt in Wayfoong House Fire

One male Chinese was burned to death and three others were seriously injured shortly before 1 p.m. yesterday when a kerosene stove exploded in the offices of Malcolm & Co., occupying Room 116 of the Wayfoong House at 220 Szechuen Road. Five machines from the Central Division of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, under Mr. R. G. Watkins and Station Officer, J. W. Currie, were turned out to battle the flames that had enveloped the premises following the explosion.

The call was received at the S.F.B. Headquarters at 12.46 and by the time the firemen had arrived at the scene, the premises were enveloped in thick smoke. Some difficulty was experienced in locating the seat of the fire and the emergency tender was sent for.

Using gas masks and oxygen sets, the firemen battled with the flames and brought them under control within 45 minutes after their arrival at the scene. The charred body of a coolie was found by the firemen among the debris in the office, while three others, all badly burned, were removed to the Lester Chinese Hospital for treatment.

Old Turpentine Tin

The last machine arrived at the station at 2.55 after the flames had been completely extinguished. Investigations at the scene of the fire and the questioning of the injured coolies revealed that they were soldering a tin which formerly contained turpentine on a kerosene stove. It appears that there was still a little of turpentine left in the tin and that the flames from the kerosene stove caused the explosion. One of the injured men, it was reported yesterday, was in a very bad condition and little hope was expressed for his recovery.

Fire engines from the Bubbling Well Division, under Assistant Station Officer F. J. Jones, were called out to the Continental Paper Factory at 187/8 Singapore Road at 12.55 p.m. yesterday when fire broke out at the plant, among thirty bales of loose paper. Western District Fire Brigade also attended, but left after the Settlement Brigade had placed the flames under control.

Two male Chinese sustained burns to their faces at the Dah Hai Chemical Works at 322 Yenping Road at about 2 p.m. yesterday while working with sulphuric acid. They were removed to St. Luke's No. 2 Hospital in an S.F.B. emergency ambulance.

Chinese Educationist's Books Banned

Text books written by Mr. Chou Cho-jen, Japanese-educated Chinese writer and professor, especially well known in North China are banned by the ministry of Education at Chungking since Mr. Chou has affiliated himself with the new Nanking. According to a Chinese correspondent, writing from Hongkong, the Ministry has ordered all educational authorities to take away Mr. Chou's pictures and writings from text books and to tell school children of his disloyalty.

The ministerial order has been issued at the instance of a petition from the Magistrate of Changsha, Hunan, who takes strong exception to a lesson written by Mr. Chou for a primary school text-book published by a big Chinese publishing firm which has apparently neglected to revise the contents of its publications. Although the lesson is non-political, being entitled "Wild vegetables in my native district," Mr. Chou's writings are opposed simply because of his pro-Japanese attitude.

Mr. Chou is said to have advocated Sino-Japanese friendship, and although his writings are old, he should no longer be admired because of his change of loyalty, it is alleged. It is stated in the petition that if students are still taught the lessons which he has written then they will be unable to distinguish between loyalty and disloyalty. The publishing firm which prints the text-books in question has also been ordered to revise the contents.

Former Shanghai Commander Promoted

London, Oct. 8.

Former commander of British troops in China, with headquarters in Shanghai, Colonel (Acting Major-General) Frank Keith Simmons has been appointed Temporary Major-General, announces the London Gazette.

Major - General Simmons, whose self-restraint and tact greatly lessened friction between the Japanese and British garrisons during his stay in Shanghai, was formerly Chief of Staff to the General Officer Commanding British forces in Palestine and the Transjordan. —Reuter.

Robbers Conclude "Summer Recess"

The approach of cold weather has caused robbers to resume their activities in the city after their usual "summer recess," and yesterday proved a very busy day for judges of the First Special District Court. No less than 26 alleged robbers, several of them women, faced the court. Eleven men and four members of girl guide societies faced the tribunal in connection with a daring bus robbery staged on Tuesday in Honan Road. They were arrested only a few hours after the crime. As more investigations were necessary, especially in connection with the bus robbery, no judgments were given and all accused were remanded in custody.

The bus robbery, it will be recalled, was committed at about 11 a.m. when Yang Yui-tsu, a Nanyang Dispensary employee was travelling in a Route 5 bus. He was robbed of $1,000 and the police at once began investigations by visiting several hotels, including one in Yu Ya Ching Road. Fifteen alleged members of the gang were rounded up and one pistol and 22 rounds of ammunition were found in their possession. In addition to these, the officers seized $600, believed to be part of the stolen money. The prosecution merely asked for their detention suspecting that they might have been involved in other crimes. The request was granted by Judge Huang.

The Sinza police brought four suspected robbers before the court. They were arrested in a room in the Ying Bin Hotel in Chekiang Road on the previous day and at another place in Kwangse Road. In their possession one pistol and two rounds of ammunition were found. They were remanded in custody after a short hearing, pending further investigations. The police made a surprise visit to their hide-outs, it was alleged, having previously been informed that they were ready to commit crimes.

Seven other suspected robbers recently arrested by the Gordon Road police were also heard yesterday. No less than seven new charges were framed against them. Most of the crimes were committed during the past two months. Two crimes were alleged to have been committed by them during December of last year including an armed robbery staged in Fu Shwun-en's home at 594 Wuting Road. It was revealed that several pistols were found in the possession of the gang. Liu Chung-hou, well known Chinese movie manager and director Chang Tung-sen of the Pootung Guild in Avenue Edward VII and Kung Fan-feng of 34 Avenue Edward VII were mentioned as victims.

S.F.B. Deputy Chief Feted by Colleagues

Mr. W. Charters, retiring Deputy Chief of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, was honoured by his colleagues at the S.F.B. Club yesterday when he was presented with the Brigade badge, the one he had worn for almost nineteen years, by Captain H. G. Reed, Chief Officer of the S.F.B. Among those present were Mr. R. G. Watkins, who is taking his place, and officers of the Volunteer Reserve.

In a few well chosen words, Captain Reed lauded the retiring officer's work in the Brigade and wished him the best in Australia, where Mr. Charters is expected to reside. Mr. Charters was then presented with the Brigade badge, set on a blackwood stand with a silver plate suitably inscribed. Mrs. Charters was presented with a handbag by the Officers of the Brigade.

Prior to the presentation, the Central Division paraded under Station Officer J. W. Currie in the Brigade compound. The parade was then handed over to Captain Reed, who introduced Mr. Charters. The latter presented twelve Chinese members of the force with Municipal Long Service Medals for their 21-year services.

Transport Cos. Saving Petrol

Despite the assurance of the oil companies that adequate stocks of petrol would arrive here soon, it was learned yesterday that a number of garages and transport companies throughout the city were exercising the utmost economy in the use of gasoline in preparing against a possible petrol shortage. In Hongkew the bus service to the Hongkew Park has been restricted with only alternate buses operating to the Park terminus, while the others have been stopping at the intersection of Dixwell and North Szechuen Roads.

It was learned that the measures were purely precautionary as the leading garages and transport companies were stated to be confident that the petrol situation here should not give cause for any future anxiety. Meanwhile automobile agents of American and British factories continue to express optimism over future petrol sales here, despite the present curtailment of sales to local consumers.

Petrol rationing for local consumers came into force on September 29 with purchases being restricted on the basis of an allotment card issued by the companies.

Sales of Mobilgas from the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company service stations were made upon presentation of the allotment card mailed to all regular customers of the company.

According to informed quarters the restrictions on the sales of petrol here might be lifted on November 1, following the arrival here of a tanker with enough petrol to last local consumers for some time to come.

THE Counsellor to the French Embassy in Chungking received instructions from the Vichy Government to call on the Chinese Police Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Fu Ping-tsang, yesterday afternoon to discuss the incident involving the arrest of about 100 Chinese and Annamites, and the violation to property in French Indo-China, by the Japanese, reports the "Cheng Yien Pao."

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B.R.A. Annual Meeting On November 7

At the regular fortnightly meeting of the General Committee of the British Residents' Association held on October 7, the proceedings to be followed at the annual general meeting at the Race Club on November 7 were discussed. It was decided that nominations for candidates for the General Committee for the forthcoming 1941/1942 year be called for as in the past. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Secretary, 27 The Bund.

Admission to the annual general meeting will be by membership card only.

Members desirous of submitting resolutions additional to those on the agenda are requested to give at least seven days' notice of them to the Secretary, British Residents' Association, 27 The Bund, in writing. A resolution will be proposed at the meeting that such notice will be compulsory for future general meetings of members.

The report and accounts for the year ended September 30, 1941, are now in course of preparation, and will be posted to members shortly.

Chinese Shot Dead in Lodging House

Lee Teh-fawei, described as a commission agent, was shot dead by a lone gunman in one of the rooms of the San Teh lodging house in Kukiang Road, shortly after 11.30 a.m. yesterday. No motive for the crime could be learned yesterday, but it was believed that it had been inspired by a personal grudge.

The victim, who had been staying at the lodging house, for the past several months, was in his room when the gunman appeared with a gun in his hand. Without giving deceased a chance, the gunman fired a shot at him, hitting him in the head. He then escaped.

An emergency ambulance was called out and the wounded man was taken to the Lester Chinese Hospital. He was pronounced dead on arrival.

The murder is being investigated by detectives from Louza station, but no developments had been noted up to a late hour yesterday.

Barbara Stanwyck and Joel McCrea have been married eight times on the screen, never divorced.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1941

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3 5/16d.	$ 76.04
U.S. $100 @ 5 3/8	$1,892.49
Guilders 97/8	$100
Rupees 17 1/2	100
Pesos 10 5/8	100
Hongkong $21	190

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3 1/4d.	$ 73.84
U.S. $100 @ 5 3/8	$1,860.46
London—demand, $1=	3 1/4d.
4 months' sight credits	3 5/8d.
4 months' sight docts	3 1/4d.
6 months' sight credits	3 1/4d.
6 months' sight docts	3 3/8d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. $53/8
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5 7/16
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5 1/2

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Sterling basis	@ 6d per H.H.$ 1
U.S.$ basis	@ 99 1/4 per H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) buying	@ 205 per H.H.$100

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING		BUYING
Cash		Sept./Oct.
£ T.T.	3 1/8	4 m/s. l.c. 3 3/32
U.S.$ T.T.	5 3/32	4 m/s. l.c. 5 5/8
Rs. T.T.	17 1/2	15 d/s. 18

SILVER QUOTATIONS

	Ready	For'd
London pence per std. oz.	23 1/2	23 1/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.15.9	—
Bombay offtake 100 bars.		

U.S.$/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for Oct. 7	4.03 3/4
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	4.02
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	4.04

Foreign Exchanges

Closing Oct. 7.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

N. Y.	332¾-332¼	London	1/5 31/32
Shanghai 19 N.		2 mths	
Hongkong	85	,, sellers	1/5 31/32
		,, buyers	1/6 1/32
		S—Sellers.	

London £ Sterling T. T. on.

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 1/2
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 1/2
Bel. Congo	176 1/2	Bangkok	1/10 1/4
Shanghai	3 3/16d.		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Spain	9.25 N.	Brazil	5.05
Paris	2.31	Shanghai	5.40/55*
S'zerland	23.32	Hongkong	25.33
Sweden	23.85	Hungary	19.85
Montreal	88.750	Manila	49.85 N.
London			4.03 3/4
Buenos Aires, Paper			29.78
,, ,, ,, market rate.			23.42
Montreal on London			4.55

N—Nominal *—Nom quoted.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Oct. 7.
Fine Bank Bills, 3 mths.	1 1/32% 1 1/16%
Bank Bills, 6 mths.	1 1/16% 1 1/8%
Fine Trade Bills, 3 mths.	2 1/2%-3%
Fine Trade Bills, 6 mths.	3% -3 1/2%
Call Money	¾-1%
New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2%B 0 3/4%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 5/8%B 0 1/4%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Singapore Weekly Rubber Report

Singapore, Sept. 18.

There has been a good demand for crepes for shipment to the United Kingdom up to the end of the year. The general interest in forward positions continues. The Ministry of Supply has shown no interest in the market during the last week, except for brown crepes. Generally speaking there are now only a few isolated buyers at prices above the Rubber Reserve Company's limits.

Latest quotations to hand are as follows:—

Spot 33 3/4 cents, unchanged.
London 13 1/4d. unchanged.
New York 22 1/2 U.S.A. cents, unchanged.

The following are details of American Statistics for last month (in tons):

	August 1941.	July 1941	August 1940.
Stocks on last day of month	444,900	395,200	212,800
Afloat on last day of month	90,600	132,300	141,300
Consumption	55,400	68,700	50,500
Consumption of Reclaimed Rubber	20,900	21,700	14,200

At the auctions held yesterday, there was a good demand for all grades, especially for Crepes. Of 880 tons catalogued, 808 tons were offered and 531 tons sold.

The following is the course of values:—

	In Singapore per lb.
Ribbed Smoked Sheet:—	
Standard Quality	38 1/2—38 5/8
Good Average Quality	37 1/2—38 5/8
Fair Average Quality	36 1/8—37 3/8
Off-Quality	35 —36
Sheet Cuttings	34 1/2
Crepe:—	
Fine Quality Pale	No Sales
Standard and slightly inferior	38 3/8—39 7/8
Off-Colour Latex	36 —37 3/8
Light Brown and Brown (Clean)	35 —36
Milling Grades:—	
Cupwashings and skimmings	34 1/4—34 1/2
Tree Scrap	24 —31 1/2
Brown and Dark Crepe	28 —34 7/8
Bark Crepe (Earth Rubber)	27 7/8
Virgin Lump	22 —31 1/4

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

Oct. 8.	Sales	Prices p.m.	
	9.45 a.m.	Closing	
Acoje Mining	.42	B .41 1/2	
Amalgamated Mineral	.07	B .07	B
Atok	.58	.55	
Antamok	.06	.05 1/2	B
Baguio Gold	.17	B .17	B
Patong Buhay	.0062	B .0062	B
Bid Wedge	.66	B .67	B
Coco Grove	.06 3/4	B .06 3/4	B
Consolidated Mines	.0062	.0060	B
Demonstration	.055	B .035	B
East Mindanao	.07	B .07	B
I. X. L.	.22	.21 1/2	B
Ipo Gold	.01	A .006	B
Itogon	.25 1/2	A .24	
Mambulau Con.	.011	A .010	A
Masbate Cons.	.09	.08 3/4	B
North Camarines	.030	B .030	B
Paracale Gumaus	.24	B .24 1/2	B
San Mauricio	.19 1/2	.19	B
Surigao Con.	.21	B .20	B
Suyoc	.13 1/2	B .13 1/2	
United Paracale	.22	B .22	B
Mindanao Metherlode	.63	B .64	
Manila Hai-Alai	10.00	A 10.00	A
Benguet Consolidated	3 90	B —	

(over the counter)
Turnover 132,200 Pesos.
Shares Index 62.46.
B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Liquidation Fails To Depress Mart

By W. H. WIENER

Although there was some profit-taking in evidence yesterday, industrial share prices which had been the subject of hectic speculative activities during the past few days showed only slight easiness, with losses ranging from one to three per cent.

The majority of market leaders thus remained more or less steady, and all offerings were well absorbed without yielding too much to selling pressure.

Shanghai Loans Gain

In contradistinction to the rest of the list, there were a few shares which continued firm. Outstanding among these good performers were Shanghai Loans, which gained 10 per cent. on reports that the company was coming out with an interim dividend and the offer of new bonus shares.

At the time of writing, these rumours were confirmed since the firm officially released an announcement according to which a second interim dividend of one dollar per share was declared at a meeting of the board of directors.

It was also decided to issue 174,997 new shares at a price of eighteen dollars per share to be offered to shareholders in the ratio of one new share for every two shares held. These shares will rank *pari passu* for dividends subsequent to that which has just been declared. The issue has been underwritten. it was further announced.

In declaring a second interim dividend, the company is apparently following the procedure adopted last year when two interim dividends of one dollar each were declared followed by a final dividend of two dollars. The ratio of the new bonus shares, however, is somewhat different from that of last year when two bonus shares were distributed for every two held. The company has 350,000 shares in issue, which total will be increased to 524,997 so that the next dividends will require more cash funds. A survey of the company's investments as they stood at the end of 1940 showed that plantations and industrials constituted the bulk of all holdings followed by docks and insurance shares.

On the whole, the market showed resistance power to downward adjustments and closed with a steady undertone.

Cotton Yarn Exports Banned

Regarding other local markets, it was remarkable that the cotton yarn exchange registered easiness toward the close on feports that exports of cotton yarn and cotton piece goods would be banned. A closer investigation revealed that the Ministry of Finance of the Nanking Regime had instructed the Office of the Superintendent of Customs that the exportation of cotton yarn, cotton piece goods and other cotton manufactures from Shanghai is prohibited, including re-export shipment, ex bond and trans-shipment, unless specially permitted.

In a way, this is a piece of important news which is likely to alter the local trade outlook to a considerable extent. At the time of writing it is not known whether permits will be issued in a liberal way or whether retaliation against the recent freezing measures of the Allied Powers is at the bottom of this development.

It is common knowledge that cotton exports from Shanghai form a sizeable proportion of Shanghai's total export trade. According to the official figures, Shanghai's exports for the first eight months of the current year totalled Ch$1,396 million, while the value of exports of cotton manufactures for the same period amounted to $396 millions.

The bulk of all these exports went to Allied Powers and in the case of cotton manufactures especially only $21.5 millions were exported to the Japanese Empire. With the local exchange situation being what it is, it might not be wondered if the local outlook becomes even more sinister than it was some time ago. Every cut in exports means a further tightening up of available export papers, and it is highly doubtful whether the Stabilization Board will supply exchange despite a severe setback in Shanghai's export trade.

Repercusions will be felt on the stock exchange, and it is likely that textiles shares will suffer some setback. If the mentioned ban on exports should be strictly interpreted by the authorities, further cuts in production are likely to take place in conjunction with labour unrest to boot.

Erratic Trend Expected

Today's stock market, therefore, might well present an erratic pattern of price trends, brought about by local operators who will attempt to gauge the intricate interplay of economic and political factors which might be expected in the wave of the recent tightening of export regulations.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market fluctuated yesterday, at levels lower than those of the previous day. Periods of heavy selling saw prices decline, though each setback was followed by recovery or steadiness. The turnover was large, with a good undertone.

Official Averages

High	Low		Yesterday's Averages	Change
477.23	105.32	General	395.57	+3.81
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	392.34	—1.26

Total 949,318 shares, 320 bonds.

Morning Session

China Finance		2000	3.10	2000	3.20
1000	3.15	5000	3.10	5000	3.15
Yangtsze Finance				2000	28.50
500	28.25	2500	28.00	5500	28.25
2000	28.00	2000	*27.50	500	27.75
500	*27.75	4500	28.00	500	*28.00
Yangtsze Finance (New)				500	28.50
2500	28.00	500	28.25	2500	28.00
4000	27.75	500	28.00	500	28.50
S'hai Loan		4500	33.00	500	32.75
1500	*32.75	8000	32.50	1000	*32.50
500	32.75	5500	33.00	1000	*33.00
4500	33.25	500	*33.25	1000	33.50
500	*34.00	5500	34.00	500	34.25
500	34.50	1000	*34.50	1000	34.75
2000	35.00	500	35.25	1500	36.00
500	*36.00				
Central Prop.				300	27.75
China Realty		500	17.80	1000	17.70
500	17.60	1000	17.80	1000	18.00
500	18.10	500	*18.20	500	18.30
1000	*18.40	500	†18.50		
S'hai Land		5500	29.00	4000	*29.25
10000	28.50	4000	28.25	6000	28.00
1500	*28.50	500	*28.25	500	28.75
2000	28.50	5000	28.25	500	*28.50
2500	28.00	1500	*28.00	500	27.75
6500	28.00	500	28.25	4000	28.50
Metro. Land				1200	*19.50
Dockyards				100	*43.00
Power (Pref)			X.D.	100	145.00
Power 5½% Debs.				10000	100.00
10000	99.75				
S. M. C. 6%	1940			10000	103.00

ODD LOTS

China Cotton		210	18.10	270	18.30
300	18.30	260	18.40		
Navigation		100	18.10	150	17.50
100	17.40	100	17.30		
S'hai Land		100	28.75	100	28.50
S'hai Loan		100	33.00	200	32.75
100	34.75				
Paper		180	9.05	100	9.00
Rubber Trust		200	18.70	250	18.60
370	18.60				
Textile				200	12.70
Ewo "B"				100	10.50
Telephone				50	43.75
Pahang				500	7.85
Consolidated				420	13.40
Cheng				380	1.62
Yangtsze Finance				100	26.25
Ewo		25	59.00	50	60.00
26	59.50				
Dockyards				70	51.50
Lean				140	32.75
Exploration		112	40.75	100	39.75
100	40.25	200	40.25		
Worsted				55	10.00

*—Direct Business.
†—Outport Business.

Active Local Stocks

	Tuesday Closing	Yesterday's Closing	Change in Per Cent.
Shanghai Loans	32.75	36.00	+9.9
Yangtsze Finance	28.75	28.00	—2.6
China Realty	17.80	18.50	+3.9
Shanghai Land	29.25	28.50	—2.6
Dockyards	53.50	52.50	—1.9
Wheelock	132.50	130.00	—1.9
Ewo Beer	10.80	10.40	—3.7
Worsted	10.40	10.40	0
Ewo Cotton	62.00	61.00	—1.6
New China Cotton	19.00	18.50	—2.6
Paper	9.10	9.00	—1.1
Lumber	90.00	88.50	—1.7
Metal Industries	47.00	46.00	—2.1
Exploration	41.75	40.75	—2.4
Anglo Dutch	26.00	25.25	—2.9
Anglo Java	47.50	46.25	—2.7
Kroewoek	3.45	3.40	—1.4
Langkat	22.00	21.25	—2.2

U.S. Treasury Reported Borrowing Huge Sum

Washington, Oct. 8.

The United States Treasury on October 9 will announce an offering of $1,504,000,000 long-term bonds, of which $204,425,000 will be earmarked for the refunding of 1¼ per cent five-year notes maturing on December 15.

Terms and other details of the offering will be made known on Thursday.

This will be the largest new-money financing since June, 1936, when a $1,000,000,000 flotation provided funds for the soldiers' bonus.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Oct. 7.

Weak conditions prevailed on Wall Street today, with stock quotations generally closing from fractions to over one point down.

The market encountered livelier selling during the afternoon, attributed chiefly to technical conditions, with the failure of rails to follow through the recent recovery impairing sentiment, while Nazi claims of successes in Russia and the unabated tension over taxes and price-controls were further deterrents.

Steels ruled weak, with Bethlehem Steel touching a new low for 1941; coppers, motors, chemicals, oils, rubbers and shipbuildings eased.

However, the volume slackened, with isolated signs of resistance here and there around the day's lows, but the market closed with a heavy tone. The turnover for the day totalled 600,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	125.86	124.90	124.42	—1.40
20 Rails	29.10	28.72	28.83	—0.38
15 Utilit.	18.32	18.11	18.17	—0.18
40 Bonds	——	——	90.48	—0.19
11 Commod.	——	——	82.10	—0.50

Oct. 6	7		Oct. 6	7
Adams Exp 8	7⅞	Int T & T	*2⅛	*2⅛
Alleg Lud 22⅜	21⅛	John Man	65¼	65
Allis Chal 29½	29	Kenn Cop	35	34⅛
Amer Can 84⅛	83½	Lib O F	23⅛	23½
Amer Cyan 39⅜	38½	Lock Air	28⅛	27½
Am Fr Pr 0⅛	0⅛	Loew's	37⅛	37½
,, $7 pfd 27	25½	Martin	28	27⅜
Am Loco 12⅜	12	Mont Wr	33½	32⅜
Am Metal 20½	20½	Nat Avia	9⅛	9
Am Radtr 5⅜	5⅛	N C Bank	*27½	*26⅞
Am R Mill 13⅜	12¾	Nat D Pro	16⅛	15⅛
Am S & R 40⅞	40	Nat Dist	25	24½
Am S & R 21½	20⅜	Nat Pr & L	4¼	3⅛
Am T & T 154	153½	Nat Sup	6½	6⅜
Am Tob 72	72⅛	N Y Cent	12	11⅜
Am Wtwk 4	4	Niagara	28	27
Atchison 29½	28¾	Nth A Avia	14⅛	13⅜
Anaconda 26⅛	26⅛	Nth Amer	12⅜	12⅛
Aviation 3⅛	3⅜	Nthrn Pac	6⅛	6⅛
Bald Loco 15	14½	Packard	2⅜	2⅜
Balt & O 4⅜	4½	Pant Oil	5¼	4⅞
Barn Oil 9⅛	9⅛	Paramount	14½	14⅛
Bendix 38⅛	37½	Penn R R	23	22⅛
Beth St 65¼	64	Phil Pet	45⅜	45
Bliss 17	16⅛	Pullman	25⅝	25⅜
Boeing 20¾	20½	Pure Oil	10⅜	10⅛
Borg War —	19⅜	Radio	3⅜	3⅜
Briggs —	20	Reading	15⅞	15⅛
Budd Mfg 4	4	Rem Arm	*4⅜	*4⅜
Can Pac 4⅜	4⅜	Rep Avtn	4⅜	4⅜
Cel Corp 24⅜	22⅜	Rep St	18⅜	18⅛
C N Bank *30½	*30	Rey Tob	30⅜	30⅛
Ches & O 37⅛	36⅜	Schenley	17	16⅜
Chrysler 58⅜	57⅛	Shell Un	14⅛	*14⅜
Col G & E 2¼	2⅛	Soc Vac	9⅜	9⅛
Col Cred 23½	23½	Stnrn Pac	12⅜	12
Com & Sth 0⅜	0⅜	Sthrn Rly	31⅜	30⅜
Cons Edi 16½	16	Spicer Mfg	34¼	*34
Cons Oil 6⅛	6⅛	St Brand	5⅜	5⅛
Cop St 14⅜	14	St G & E	17⅞	17⅛
Curtiss 9⅜	9	St Oil	41⅞	41⅜
Du Pont 152½	151¼	Swift Int	23⅜	23⅛
Douglas 74	72⅜	Studebak	5⅜	5⅛
Dist Corp 18	17¼	Tex Corp	40⅞	40⅜
E P Lead 8⅜	8¼	Technicol	9⅞	9⅜
Elec A L 23½	23⅛	Transamer	4⅜	4¼
Elec B & S 2	2¼	Tw Cent	8¼	8¼
,, $5 pfd 61½	60½	Un B & P	11⅜	11
,, $6 pfd 67	65⅝	Un Pacific	76	75¼
El Pr & Lt 37	37¼	Un Air	37¼	37½
Flintkote 13⅜	13¼	Un A Line	13¼	12⅜
Gen Elec 31½	31¼	Un Corp	0⅞	0⅛
Gen Motor 41½	40⅜	,, $3 pfd	23¼	22¼
Gen Rly 14½	14	Un G Imp	6⅞	7
Gen T & R 13½	13	Vanadium	24¼	23⅛
Goodrich 21	20¼	U S Steel	55¼	53⅛
Goodyear 19⅜	18⅛	U R Rub	24⅜	23⅜
Gt Nt I O 16⅛	16⅛	Vultee	10	9⅜
Gt Nt Rly 26	25⅛	Walworth	4¾	4⅜
Gt W Sug *25⅛	25⅛	War Pr Pt	5¼	5⅛
Int Nick 29⅛	28⅛	West Elec	84⅜	84⅜
Int P & P 18⅛	17⅞	Wood Ir	*25½	25

BONDS

Am & F P	68½	66⅛	Erie	32 31
Aust Com	*75	76½	Int T & T	51½ 50⅜
Brazil	*23	23⅜	N E G & E	69½ 68⅜
,, 6½%	20	20½	Sthrn Pac	51½ 50⅜
C S P & L	96½	96½	St G & E	87½ 86⅜

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCK

	Sept. 30	Oct. 7		Sept. 30	Oct. 7
Alaska	3½	3⅜	Mack Tru	30½	31
Amer Loco	89	88½	Mck & R	13⅜	13¼
Ass G & E	*1¼	*1	Mountain	2¾	*2¼
Atl Gulf	*52	51½	Nat Gyp	6⅛	6
Atlantic	23¾	23⅜	Nat Lead	17½	16⅛
Atlas Corp	7½	7⅛	N Y Chic	42	42⅛
Auburn	*4¼	4⅛	Pacific	24¾	24½
Barber	11⅛	10⅜	Pan Amer	17½	17
Bath Ir	19½	18¾	Piper Air	*6	*6½
Bellanca	*3¾	*3	Pitts C & I	*8⅜	5⅛
Callahan	0⅛	*0⅛	Pub S N J	19½	19⅜
Case J I	80	77½	Ry Aero	*4¼	4⅛
Cluett	37	36½	Sears Roe	74	71⅞
Col Sol	10¼	10	Sthrn Rly	17⅜	17⅛
Climax	39⅝	39	Sper Corp	35⅝	33⅞
Cont Can	36⅜	36¼	St Oil	23½	23⅜
Cont Oil	23⅜	23⅜	Stone & W	6⅝	6
Corn Pro	53	52½	Tex Gulf	36⅜	36⅛
,, 7%	*177	*176	Thompson	29½	29
Coty Inc	*3¾	*3⅜	Tide Ass	10⅜	10¼
Coty Int	1	0¼	Timken	32⅜	31½
Curtiss	26½	26⅜	Tw City	24	*22½
Deer & Co	26¼	24½	Un C & C	77½	74½
Eaton Mfg	32	32⅜	United	0⅜	0⅜
Gen Amer	50	51	Unit L & P	*0⅛	0½
Glidden	16½	16½	U S Indus	30½	31
Goodrich	*71	73	U S Realty	*1½	1½
Gt Lak	*15	14⅜	U S Rub	99	97½
Greyhound	13⅜	13⅜	U S Smelt	60	60
Int Har	53¾	50½	Youngst	36½	34⅜
Lib McN	5½	5⅜	Royal	156	158

BONDS

Balt & O	32	34½	Oslo	*32½ *32½
Chicago	11	12	Rep of C	†42 42½
Denmark	68½	73	,, 6s 1961	†42½ 42
Den & R	14¼	15½	Rep Steel	104½ 104⅜
Phil & R	28½	28	Rio Grand	*11⅛ *10⅜
N Y Chi	95	*97½	Sthrn Rly	78½ 80½
N Y Gov	106½	110½	‡—Asked. *—Bid.	

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices declined rather broadly on an expanding volume today, making new lows in the average for three months. The decline is attributed mainly to the situation within the market, but experts admitted that the German drive on Moscow was an influence.

N. Y. Stock Market

New York, Oct. 7.

Some commentators today said they believed the stock market at present was in balance between the forces of investment demand and the uncertainties occasioned by the war and takes.

There was no agreement on that, but there was agreement that selective buying will continue.

Market experts were a bit more cheerful regarding railroads, stock and bond lists. They anticipated higher wage scales and some believed that the factor of wage increases had been discounted already.

In addition, late developments looked for a considerable number of freight rate increases to offset at least partially the increased outgo as a result of the pay raises.

Few commentators foresee good to come to the market from actual announcement of any wage agreement between the railroads and their employees.

Prices on the New York Stock Exchange today hit new lows on the average in the period convering the past three months, and bonds and commodities were also lower.

Stocks Decline

Stocks dropped after moving narrowly and irregularly during the quiet opening period of the session. Volume of sales increased on the decline which followed, and losses extended to more than two points.

Wall Street attributed the drop to the situation within the market although the new German drive on Moscow was an influencing factor.

Analysts pointed out that traders lightened their commitments when the railroad section, which recently has been firm, failed to attract buyers to other sections of the list. Losses by rail issues ranged up to more than a point.

Steels were weak, Bethlehem Steel declined 1¾ points to a new low for the year. United States Steel hit 53¼, off 1⅞ points. Coppers, including American Smelting and Cerro de Pasco, were off as much as 1⅛ points.

Chrysler motors was off 1½ points while General Motors dropped ¾ of a point although later it regained a small amount of the loss.—United Press.

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Oct. 7.

Prices tended to move lower in a session of quiet trading on the London Stock Exchange today, with uncertainties regarding Russian developments engendering caution, but the market was steadier at the close.

British gilt edged securities mostly maintained their levels, but home rails, industrials, oils, shipping, kaffirs, diamonds and coppers moved downward through losses were small.

Some good features, however, including the continued firmness of rubbers and some Argentine rails, were recorded, while Egyptian 4 per cent. bonds gained about a point.—Reuter.

	Oct. 6	7
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£106⅜	106⅜
3% Defence Loan	101⅛	101⅛
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	48	48
4½% Anglo-French Loan	46	46
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	29½	29½
5% Reorg Loan, 1913	38	38
8% Stg. Notes, 1926	10	10
5% Honan Rly., 1905	14	14
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	15	15
5% ,, ,, ,, (Ger. Is.)	13	13
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	13	13
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	17	17
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	13	13
5% ,, ,, G.	13	13
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) B.	13	13
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) G.	13	13
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	13	13
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	60	60
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	27	27
6% Sterling Loan, 1934	29½	29½
BANK AND INSURANCE		
Chartered Bank of I. A. & C.	9 3/16	9 3/16
H & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	82	82
,, (Col. Reg.)	88 N	88 N
Mercantile Bank of India	12¼	12¼
National Bank of India	33¾	34½
Un Ins. Soc. of Canton	22	22
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/7½	10/7½
British American Tobacco	95/-	94/4½
Dunlop Rubber	37/3	37/-
Imp. Chem. Industries	33/1½	33/-
United Steel	22/9	22/9
Woolworths	58/9	58/6
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	15/6	15/6
Chosen Corp.	5/6	5/6
Marsman Investments	7/6	7/9
Pekin Syndicate	1/-	1/-
Sub-Nigel	143/9	142/6
Western Holdings	19/-	18/6
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	41¾	41¼
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/7½	15/7½
London, Midland & Scot.	16⅛	15⅜
S'hai Elec. Construction	13/9	13/9
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Shell Transport & Trad.	56/3	55/-

U.S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Oct. 7.

The cotton market opened barely steady, with quotations ruling from 3 to 10 points down. Early hedging and mill liquidation met with trade and Wall Street buying and covering. However, the rise attracted increased pre-Bureau liquidation and realizing by earlier buyers, due to the weakness of securities and commodities. However, the market closed steady, with quotations ranging from 6 to 9 points down from the previous final levels.

Prices in the Chicago Wheat Pit moved lower today on speculative liquidation, fresh complications arising from price-control discussions at Washington and the unsettlement of the cash markets, with storage congestion at important terminals. Reports that receipts in North-West were liberal and that mills had contracted substantial future commitments further contributed to the easiness. At the final bell, losses from 1 to 1⅛ cents were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Oct.	16.95-95 —09	Dec.	22.50 B +04
Dec.	17.17-19 09—	Mar.	22.25-40 unc.
Jan.	17.24 N. 90—		B/A
Mar.	17.42-42 —09		
May	17.60-60 —07		
July	17.69-71 06—		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Jan.	2.90-95 unc. B/A	Dec.	2.52-52½ +5½ B/A
Mar.	2.83B-87 unc B/A	Mar.	2.47-47½ +5 B/A
		May	2.47-47½ +5 B/A

Chicago Wheat	Chicago Corn
Dec. 120⅛-120¼ —1 Dec.	78½-78⅝ —1⅝
May 124⅞-124¾ —1⅛ May	83⅛-84 —1⅝

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Oct. 7.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 13⅝ unc; sellers 13¾ unch; Nov. delivery, buyers 13⅝ unch; sellers 13¾ unch.

London Tin: Standard, cash, buyers £256 unch; sellers £256¼ unch; 3 mths del. buyers £260¼ —¼; sellers £260½ —¼.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. p.b.	Cash	$1,930
Tungchow cotton ..	per picul	560
Shanghai cotton	per picul	510
	picul	Nom.
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%		$7,500
Flour, local ..	per bag (49lb.)	$34.75
Flour, imported	,,	35.45

N.E.I. Tin Position Said Favourable

Batavia, Oct. 8.

The N.E.I. tin position may be described as very favourable. Although the United States recently fixed the tin price at $0.50 per English pound, demand continues to be very considerable. It may, therefore, be concluded that the United States continues to pile up more reserves.

It appears that the East Indies are far ahead of other tin-producing countries, having an over-production of 2,444 tons during the first six months of 1941 compared with Nigeria and Bolivia, etc.

Meanwhile, in connection with the improved situation on the tea market, the Government has introduced in the People's Council a bill levying an extra export duty of five per cent on tea.—Reuter.

Shanghai Dockyards Sell Pootung Works

The Shanghai Dockyards, Ltd., announce that the company sold the site formerly known as Pootung Works, situated at Pootung Point. It is understood that this site was never used for any repairing work or other operations so that the transaction has apparently transformed an asset of doubtable value into tangible cash.

Heroes of Former China Gunboat Decorated

London, Oct. 8.

New graphic details of the sinking of the gunboat Ladybird—which was well-known in Shanghai and along the Yangtsze, where she had been under Japanese fire—during a raid on Tobruk by 47 Nazi bombers are given in a supplement to the "London Gazette."

Commander John Blackburn, Captain of the Ladybird, who described the scene aboard the Ladybird after the bombing as "a burning hell," has been awarded a bar to his Distinguished Service Order and other officers and men are decorated or "mentioned."

For conspicuous gallantry, Chief Petty Officer Albert William Thornton-Allen is awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. While in charge of one of the guns, "a bomb falling on the afterdeck wounded him and blew him from the gun. Fires were burning fore and aft

FROM DAY TO DAY

DR. and Mrs. Frederick Reiss left by the President Coolidge for the United States.

MR K. A. Persen will give another of his talks dealing the "V Movement in Norway" at 9.20 tonight from Station XGDN.

THE Shanghai Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is moving into its new offices today. The offices are situated at 350 Race Course Road, telephone 36536.

MEMBERS of Holy Trinity Cathedral Choir are reminded that the weekly choir practice will be held today at 5.30 p.m. in the Choir Room, instead of tomorrow.

THIS evening at 8.15 station XMHD will present the first of a series of talks entitled "From my Bookshelf" by Dr. Forbes Tocher. Subsequent talks of the series will be given every Thursday evening at the same time.

MEMBERS of the R.A.F.A. are reminded of the weekly tiffin to be held at the Dome, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank building, on Friday. The caterer should be notified of the number of guests before 10 a.m. on the day in question.

A CLASSICAL programme will be given over station XMHD, 760 Kcs. at 9.30 p.m. today consisting of: Academic Festival Overture by Brahms, Italian Concerto by Bach, and Symphony No. 1 in C Major by Beethoven.

THE first edition of a monthly magazine called "Kuo Min Daily News Graphic" will be published by the "Kuo Min Daily News" on the anniversary of the Double Tenth falling tomorrow. The graphic will contain topical pictures, essays, cartoons and other matters of interest.

ACCORDING to the "National Herald" the Lien Nyi Society of trained citizens has appealed to local public bodies for funds to relieve the poor owing to the approach of colder weather. Some time ago the society started a $3,000,000 campaign to buy winter garments for the needy.

MR. J. R. Weeks, the President, was given a hearty welcome when he resumed the chair at yesterday's meeting of the Zero Club after having spent a few months' holiday in Canada, Mr. Arthur Piercy, who has been acting as chairman during Mr. Weeks' absence, expressed the pleasure of members at seeing their chairman among them once again.

THE Sino-Japanese Cultural Society will hold its first general meeting at Hankow on some suitable date after November 15, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday morning. The Society, which is designed for the mutual exchange of culture between Japan and China, has its headquarters in Nanking, and branches in Shanghai, Hangchow, Hankow, Canton and Soochow.

THE declaration that Japan never will be forced to fight an enemy on her own soil was made by Capt. Kamada, chief of the press section of the Japanese China Seas Fleet, in a radio broadcast to Japan on Tuesday evening over the microphone of the Greater Shanghai Broadcasting station. He stated that the Japanese fleet in China would be able to meet any future emergency.

A NEW cement factory has been formally organized under the name of Kweichow Cement Works, according to a report from Kweiyang published by the "Cheng Yien Pao." The initial output of the new factory will be about 1,000 barrels of cement a month, and plans for a gradual increase have been made. The capitalization of the project will be $1,000,000, according to the dispatch.

THE Central China Hotel Owners' Association on Sunday held a meeting at the New Asia Hotel at which forty representatives of various hotels here were represented. Resolutions were passed restricting the amount of alcoholic beverages to be served to guests. Each guests in future will not be served with more than two bottles of warm sake or large bottles of beer after 5 p.m. A blacklist will be started giving the names of undesirable guests, according to the "Tairiku Shimpo."

PLEASED with the successful resistance of Chinese troops against the offensive of Japanese forces, the people of Loyang, in Honan province, have organized a "Comforting Party" and have donated $50,000 for the purchase of various articles to be distributed among the soldiers at the front, according to a delayed dispatch from Loyang" in the "Shun Pao." The party was to leave Loyang on October 5 and arrive at an unnamed war zone before the Moon Festival, the paper adds.

ON Sunday the goal built by the Peace Preservation Corps headquarters for detention of criminals pending trial was completed. According to the "Kuo Pao" and Central China Daily News", all future cases of robbery, abduction and other crimes, will be dealt with by the military court attached to the corps headquarters. On Tuesday the corps was reported to have notified the police bureau, the Nantao District Court and other parties concerned, to turn over to the corps headquarters all the cases referred to them to be dealt with.

THREE floral wreaths were cast on the waters of Woosung Creek near Kiangkiachai on Monday morning in honour of Japanese officers and men who were killed in action during landing operations at the beginning of the Shanghai hostilities in 1937, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday. Special memorial services were held under the auspices of the Japanese garrison in the Shanghai area and the Association of Japanese Residents from Yamanashi Prefecture. The men who died in the Woosung Creek operations came from Yamanashi Prefecture.

"Give Voluntarily" Is Curtin's Appeal

Sydney, Oct. 8.

"Australia wants to maintain British justice and British law and knows that she cannot maintain them unless we wage war with all our effort," declared Mr. John Curtin, the new Prime Minister, here yesterday.

The Australian people want the Government to get to work humbly and well, and do what they think necessary for winning the war so that we can pass on to our children at least the foundations of liberty.

"In the name of the previous Government and in the name of the present Government, I ask the Australian people to give voluntarily. I wish always to be able to say that the Australian people gave all their resources in this war as a gift of free men and women to the Government of their choosing towards the accomplishment of victory."—Reuter.

Chinese Organize Drama Society

Bent on elevating the standard of theatrical production in this country to the level of that in the west, some enterprising and well known Chinese artists, mostly educated in Britain and America, who already have had ample experience in the theatrical business, are producing modern Chinese plays of a higher order for the public here. It is learned that at an opportune time, they may stage English plays and may soon build a studio for training amateur players.

They have organized themselves into what is popularly known among the Chinese here as the Shanghai Stage Society, and according to an announcement made by Mr. Yao Hsin-nung, director and playwright of the society and former contributor of this journal, they are to make their debut at the Carlton Theatre on October 10 to celebrate the Chinese Independence Day.

Foreign Trained Leaders

Mr. Yao was a Chinese delegate to the 5th Soviet Theatre Festival at Moscow in 1937, and a holder of a Rockefeller Foundation Fellowship at the department of drama of Yale University. Outstanding among the supporters of the movement is also Mr. Jolin Huang, a Cambridge graduate, who many years ago studied at the London Theatre Studio under Michel St. Denis and John Gilbert, after having received his degree at Cambridge. Mr. Wu Jen-chih, a recognized authority on stage lighting, has also participated in the movement. Mr. Chow Chien-yun, chairman of the Society's Board of Directors, is a noted pioneer in the field of motion picture industry in China. His resourcefulness has enabled the society to take possession of the Carlton Theatre.

The British-educated director Jolin Huang will direct the first production of the society which is entitled "The Woman in White" by Tsao Yu. As a play in three acts it dramatizes the transformation of a corrupt hospital for wounded soldiers into a fine, efficient institution, through the courage and integrity of a woman doctor. The woman doctor is played by Tan Ni, a talented player also educated in Britain, having studied at the London Theatre Studio.

Singapore Ready For Parachutists

Singapore, Oct. 8.

The Army in Malaya are training troops to combat a possible Parachutist invasion, it was revealed by Major-General A. E. Percival, General Officer Commanding of Malaya. "We have certainly taken the lessons of Crete to heart," he declared.

Asked whether the British were considering any concrete aid by the United States and the Dutch in the event of an invasion, Major-General Percival declared:—

All Aid Welcome

"Certainly we hope that the United States and the Dutch will be with us . . . the more help the sooner the fight will be ended."

He declined to comment on whether it was possible to defend Malaya without United States naval support. He admitted, however, that the lack of a strong Navy in Malayan waters made it necessary to maintain stronger land and air forces for defence.

"The defence of Malaya, however, ultimately is dependent on seapower, similar to Malta and Gibraltar," he added.

In reply to whether he was satisfied with the present state of Malaya's defences, Major-General Percival declared: "That's a leading question. Soldiers are never satisfied."

More Recruits Wanted

Major-General Percival reiterated at his press conference the need for Asiatic and European recruits in both the volunteer and regular services, pointing out that the necessity for bringing in troops from the United Kingdom, India and Australia constituted a heavy strain on shipping due to the necessity of importing equipment and supplies to equip and feed the newcomers.

Major-General Percival said that at present the majority of all food supplies must be imported into Malaya, but said that the shortage of shipping space was not retarding defence preparations.

On account of the shortage of Malayan labour, it might be necessary to recruit Chinese labour in Hongkong, he added.

The G.O.C. said he had called a meeting of the Volunteer Advisory Committee to survey the recruiting problem.—United Press.

Petain Leaves for Short Rest in Country

Vichy, Oct. 7.

Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, Chief of the French State, left yesterday for a short rest in his country estate prior to rendering verdict on the "men of Bourraissol," six men held responsible for France's defeat.

Sentences to be imposed include permanent or limited deprivation of political rights, subjection to controlled residence in France or the colonies, administrative internment, besides the ordering of payment of civil damages, and also the imposing of fines. Moreover, the defendants are still subject to ordinary prosecution for crimes and misdemeanours while holding office.

The five men held in Bourraissol, south of Riem, are reported to be in good health and are allowed visitors, of which General Maurice Gamelin's wife is the most regular. The sixth man, M. Pierre Cot, is now in the United States.—Domei.

Airgraph Service to E. Africa Possible

London, Oct. 8.

The possibility of airgraph service to and from East Africa and other Empire countries in the eastern hemisphere is receiving urgent attention, states the Postmaster-General. The question of extending the system to civil air mail correspondence with East Africa has been raised by the Association of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Eastern Africa, it was reported yesterday at a meeting in London of the joint East African Board.—Reuter.

Cairo-Teheran Air Service Proposed

Teheran, Oct. 8.

A civil air-line between Cairo and Teheran is to be established as a result of a two-day visit to Teheran of one of the directors of British Overseas Airways. One of the stops will probably be at Baghdad; others have not yet been decided upon.—Reuter.

TRAVEL AND SHIPPING

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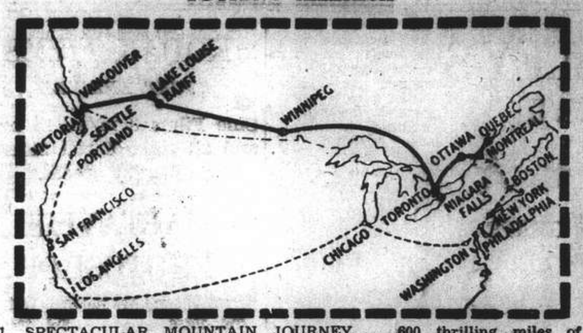

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SHIPPING NEWS

After a stay of three days, the **Hukuken Maru, T.K.K. Line**, will sail on her return trip to Keelung and Takao with a large number of passengers as well as cargo at 10 a.m. today.

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The Shanghai Maru, T.K.K. Line, is expected to sail on her return trip to Nagasaki at 9.30 a.m. today. Passengers will board the vessel not later than half an hour before sailing time.

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Flying the Portuguese flag, the freighter **Pluto**, operated by East Asiatic Co., Ltd., is to sail on her return trip to Port Courbet on Monday morning. The vessel arrived here on Tuesday.

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The D.K.K. liner **Tsingtao Maru** will get away from the company's Whangpoo Wharf on her return trip to Tsingtao and Dairen at 9 a.m. today. Passengers are requested to board the vessel half an hour before sailing time.

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The Panamanian freighter, **Norse Carrier**, operated by Jardine, Matheson & Co., was expected to arrive in Shanghai yesterday afternoon from Palembang. She is bringing 4,200 tons of coal for the Shanghai Power Company.

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A big steamer on the Orient-California run will sail from her berth at lower buoys 11 and 12 sometime today direct to Honolulu and San Francisco taking about 130 passengers and a considerable cargo. The exact time of departure may be obtained from the American President Lines.

Vessels Sailing

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignee
Antai	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Latouche	Manila	Wallem
Shanghai M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Santen M.	Keelung	T.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
B. de St. Pierre	Fr.	M.M.
Sanko M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Folozu	Pana.	Y.K.K.
Hsinglung M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Sanshu M. 19	Jap.	K.U.K.
Marechal Joffre	Fr.	M.M.
Ramona	Pana.	Raymond
Lushan M.	Jap.	T.K.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
E. Carlotto	It.	Gbt.	Garden Jetty
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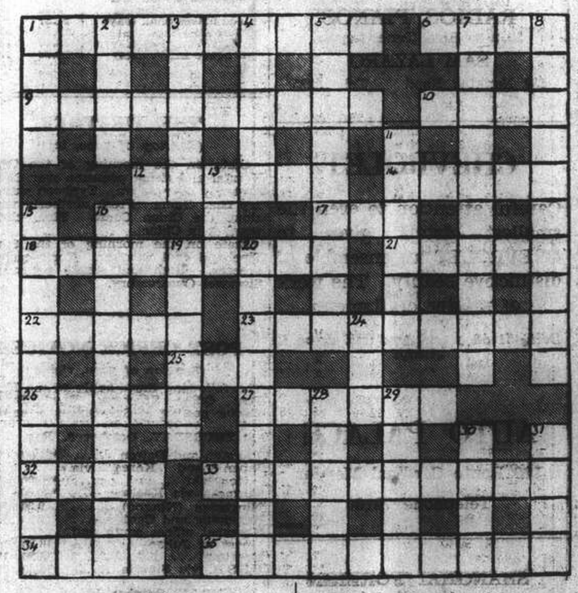

ACROSS

1 No, this kind of horse is not necessarily good at fences
6 The kind of fish to find fault?
9 Epithet for Punch's advice to those about to marry
10 Intelligence
12 European capital
14 It sounds as if this little Surrey spot could provide breakfast food
17 One of the deer family perhaps
18 Decorative medium
21 The sort of looks men may get from their wives when upset
22 No, this part of a harpoon is definitely intended
23 A rebuff about four is distinctly displeasing
25 A great container
26 This movement is not in the way of progress
27 It takes time to start this kind of business
32 It takes nothing more than some food to make this artist
33 Might be part of a clock or of baby (two words)
34 The fall of this was used to mark the 26 across of time
35 Covenants made by mere agents

DOWN

1 Stay
2 An enclosure that might be a suit
3 An outing with a relative
4 Kind of billiard stroke
5 "Over spade" (anag.)
7 A matter of numbers
8 A man of many letters
11 Tris insect comes to a bad end
13 Food from 14 across
15 Members of this society are not necessarily peculiar people
16 A theory to work upon perhaps
19 Number
20 Sharing in with Royalty apparently
24 A piece of furniture
23 Dodge
29 This is used metaphorically for the best part
30 Suitable coour for sycophants
31 Poet's work

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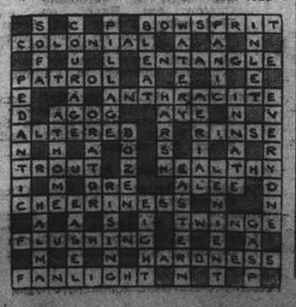

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	At Cathedral		At Siccawei	
Temperature yesterday	min. 61.0	max. 80.0	min. 59.0	max. 80.4
„ same date last year	min. 60.5	max. 79.0	min. 55.6	max. 81.1

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SHANGHAI, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1941 (19th day of 8th moon)

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GUNDRY.—On May 29, 1941, at Pangbourne, Berks, England, to Mary, wife of Francis R. L. Gundry, a son—ROBIN DAVID. -4751

DEATH

GUBBAY.—On Wednesday, October 8, 1941, at 130 Rte. de Grouchy, Shanghai, CHARLES SASSOON GUBBAY, deeply regretted. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

TO-DAY'S EVENTS

OCTOBER

9 P.T.H.O.G.A. Reunion &A Tifeng Rd, 6
9 K.D.S. Jumble Sale, U.C. Hall, 9.30.
9 *Cold Dew (Han-lu)*
9 *Russia restored Manchuria to China (1902)*

COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

10 Engineering Society of China Garden Party, 4
10 Exhibition of Paintings by M. A. Radik, Cath. Boys School, 39 Myburgh Rd. 1-6 p.m.
10 Clifford Odets' Drama 'Till the Day I Die' XGDN, 9.30.
11 Exhibition of Paintings by M. A. Radik, Cath. Boys School, 39 Myburgh Rd. 1-6 p.m.
11 Light Opera vocal concert. Salle des Fetes, 11 Rte. Vallon, 8.30
12 Exhibition of Paintings by M. A. Radik, Cath. Boys School, 39 Myburgh Rd. 1-6 p.m.
13 Schumann's Dichterlieder sung by Robert Stuart, XGDN, 9.30
15 Bill Hegamin and His Gang, XGDN, 9.30
16 Russ. L. Opera, Holland Girl, 8.45 Lyc.
16 Royal Asiatic Society. Mr. Voigt, Lecture on 'A Chinese Lake.' 5.30.
17 'The Londoners'—A Dramatic Sketch, XGDN, 9.30
18 8th Co. Girl Guides Fur Fair Entirely in aid at British War Fund, Cathedral Girls' School, 2
18 8th Co. Girl Guides Fun Fair Entirely in aid of British War Fund. Cathedral Girls' School, 2
19 Dramatic Readings by Thomas Lyell, XGDN, 9.30
20 Engineering Society of China Meeting, 5.45

NOVEMBER

6 Limbless Fund, Jumble Sale, U.C. Hall, 9.30
7 B.R.A. Annual General Meeting, Race Club, 5.30.

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It was also decided to issue 174,997 new shares at a price of Eighteen Dollars (local currency) per share to be offered to Shareholders on the Register of the Company on October 17, 1941, in the ratio of one new share for every two shares held. These shares will rank pari passu for dividends subsequent to that which has just been declared. This issue has been underwritten and full particulars will be circulated to Shareholders as soon as possible.

By Order of the Directors,
GEORGE McBAIN
General Agent.

Shanghai, October 8, 1941. 11788

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2 Peking Road

Administrators of the above-named Estate.

Shanghai, October 8, 1941. 11760

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF CUSTOMS

NOTIFICATION No. 13

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that in accordance with instructions of the Ministry of Finance of the National Government the exportation of cotton yarn, cotton piece goods and other cotton manufactures (Tariff No. 192-197, 201, 206-208, 210-213) from Shanghai is prohibited (including re-export shipments, ex bond and transhipment), unless specially permitted, as from of October 8, 1941.

No loading of the above goods to vessels is permitted as from the above date, unless special permission is obtained even though other Customs formalities have been fulfilled.

LI CHIEN NAN.
Superintendent of Customs.

Shanghai, October 8, 1941. 11783

SS. PAKHOI

Hong Kong/Shanghai. Arrived Shanghai October 6, 1941.

This vessel met with a casualty on her voyage on October 3, and owing to expenses having been incurred in bringing her into port and damage having resulted to her cargo, it will probably be necessary to declare a General Average.

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Cargo is now being discharged at Holt's Wharf and a survey of damage incurred will be held by Messrs. Eisler, Reeves & Murphy, Marine Surveyors, who have been appointed for this purpose, at 2 p.m. on Wednesday. October 8, and thereafter, at Holt's Wharf.

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Barometer (inches)	30.12	30.17	30.18	30.25
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.24	+0.21	+0.21	+0.17
at 32 F. („ 12 hrs.)	+0.15	+0.09	+0.06	+0.08
Wind (direction)	NNE	NE	NE	NE
„ (miles per hour)	14.3	5.0	7.4	9.9
Temperature (Fahr.)	74.7°	65.3°	61.7°	70.2°
Humidity (per cent)	56	77	91	57
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	1	0	0	0
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report Oct. 7	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.09	+0.16	30.06
Temperature: min. 67.6° max. 80.6°	74.1°	—6.0°	66.6°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	56.82	—	39.06

Time and Tide	9/10	10/10	11/10	12/10	13/10	14/10	15/10
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.52	5.53	5.53	5.54	5.54	5.55	5.56
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.31	17.29	17.28	17.27	17.26	17.25	17.23
Moon rises at Shanghai	20.06	20.48	21.33	22.21	23.12	—	0.07
Moon sets at Shanghai	9.00	9.51	10.43	11.30	12.18	13.03	13.47
Flood makes Shai. (day)	11.37	11.50	12.00	12.40	13.51	15.25	17.16
Ebb. makes Shai. (day)	17.25	17.53	6.01	6.30	7.15	8.25	10.01
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	13.49	14.15	14.46	15.35	16.45	5.56	8.08
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	10.80	10.07	8.80	7.35	6.60	5.52	6.92

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 7th:—Normal and rising pressure over China: unsteady over Japan. Typhoon stationary near Guam. Fresh northerly winds along the China Coast. Fine, cloudy weather in China.

State on the morning of the 8th:—Fine and cool weather. North-easterly breezes. High and steady pressure.—Siccawei Observatory.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head-Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

THURSDAY, October 9.	Reg.	Ord.
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Japan and Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	*20.00	8.00
Ninghsien (Ningpo)	9.30	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	9.30	10.00
Kianspei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. via Siberia	18.30	20.00
FRIDAY, October 10.		
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	9.30	10.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
SATURDAY, October 11.		
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	*19.00	7.15
Hongkong and Canton	9.30	10.00
Ninghsien (Ningpo)	10.30	11.00
Java Ports	A 16.00	16.30
Kianspei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India & Suez via Hongkong	X 18.30	20.00
Hongkong and Canton	19.30	20.00

*The night before.
A Parcel Mail for Honolulu and U.S.A., closes at 16.00 on 8th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.

Canton-Hanoi-Saigon-Bangkok Air Mail

Air mails close on every Sunday and Wednesday at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary for transmission per Shanghai-Canton Air Line to connect with the aeroplane leaving Canton for Hanoi on every Wednesday, Friday and Saturday and for Saigon on every Monday and Bangkok on every Friday. The air mails may also be sent per available steamer to Canton via Hongkong.

Netherlands K.L.M. Air Mail Service (Batavia-Lydda) per steamer to Singapore via Hongkong on Sept. 11, at 7 p.m. for registered and at 8 p.m. for ordinary.

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Nanking daily at 10.30 p.m. (Except Saturdays.)
Hankow at 10.30 p.m. on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.
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Tientsin and Peiping daily at 10.30 p.m. (Except Saturdays.)
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Canton, Swatow and Hoihow at 10.30 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays.
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Daily Train Mail

Nanking only at 7 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.
Entire N.S.R. and River Ports up to Ichang at 10 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao at 10 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
T.P.R. north Pinghan, Lunghai and Kiaotsi Lines at 10 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Entire S.H.N.R. including Siaoshan, Kolkiao and Shaoshing daily at 1 p.m.
Sungkiang and Hangchow only at 10.30 p.m.
Remarks: For Europe via Siberia:—Mails for Europe and U.S.S.R. via Siberia despatched per trains via Nanking and Tsin to connect with the Trans-Siberian trains (for time of closing see above).

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